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DIVISION OF DISABILITY SERVICES

MISSION STATEMENT

The New Jersey Division of Disability Services promotes and facilitates the maximum independence and participation of people with disabilities in community life through information and access to services and supports, and fosters coordination and cooperation among government agencies.

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICES

"The first place to call for disability-related information"

The Division of Disability Services is a single point of entry for all seeking disability related information in New Jersey. To speak with one of our Certified Information Specialists, call 888-285-3036.

NJ WorkAbility

This program offers people with disabilities who are working, and whose income would otherwise make them ineligible for Medicaid, the opportunity to pay a small premium and receive full NJ Medicaid coverage. People with disabilities between the age of 15 to 64 can qualify for the program with annual gross earned incomes as high as \$45,084.

PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES PROGRAM (PASP)

This program provides routine, non-medical assistance to people with disabilities who are employed, involved in community volunteer work or attending school. Personal assistants help with tasks such as light housekeeping, bathing, dressing, preparing meals, shopping, driving or using public transportation. The number of hours a person receives depends on individual need but can be as great as 40 hours per week.

MEDICAID WAIVER PROGRAMS

The Division of Disability Services is responsible for the administration of several of the Medicaid Waiver Programs serving people with disabilities:

TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY (TBI) WAIVER

-- serves people between 18 and 64 who have survived a traumatic brain injury. People in the program receive full Medicaid benefits plus additional services including case management, a structured

day program, a personal care assistant, transportation, respite care and night supervision.

AIDS COMMUNITY CARE ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (ACCAP) WAIVER -- serves people of any age with AIDS and children up to age 13 who are HIV positive. It provides full Medicaid benefits plus case management, private-duty nursing, medical day care, personal care assistant services, certain narcotic and drug abuse treatments at home and hospice care.

MODEL WAIVERS 1, 2 AND 3 -- serve a maximum of 250 disabled Medicaid beneficiaries of all ages at any given time. They provide special services in addition to full Medicaid benefits to people who otherwise would be unable to live in the community and would probably have to move into a nursing home or other institution.

THE ABC WAIVER -- serves medically fragile children who are under the supervision of the Division of Youth and Family Services.

PERSONAL CARE ASSISTANT (PCA) SERVICES

This is an optional benefit offered to New Jersey Medicaid beneficiaries who are experiencing some functional impairment. It provides assistance with various aspects of daily living for people who have either a short term or long-term disability.

PERSONAL PREFERENCE: NEW JERSEY'S CASH & COUNSELING DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

This is national research and demonstration project sponsored by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to study the effects of allowing disabled Medicaid recipients who are eligible for Personal Care Assistant services to direct their own care. Through a monthly cash allowance, participants work with a consultant to develop a cash management plan by which they decide the services they need and the individuals and/or agencies they wish to hire to provide the identified services. The program requires greater consumer responsibility but offers participants greater control, flexibility and choice.

USING RESOURCES 2002

Resources 2002 was designed by the Division of Disability Services to provide users with a method to easily access needed information. Users of this directory are encouraged to address any difficulties with its use to the Division of Disability Services

REPORTING CORRECTIONS AND UPDATES

Programs and agencies listed in this directory are asked to report any changes in information as quickly as possible.

Submit changes to:

Joseph Amoroso
Division of Disability Services
PO Box 700
Trenton, NJ 08625-0700
Joseph.Amoroso@dhs.state.nj.us

NEED ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE

Should you require additional or updated information, please call the Division of Disability Services and ask to speak to an Information and Referral Specialist.

DIVISION OF DISABILITY SERVICES 888-285-3036

DIVISION OF DISABILITY SERVICES CONTACT INFORMATION

William A.B. Ditto

Director

Javier RoblesDeputy Director

Mailing Address

P.O. Box 700, Trenton, NJ 08625-0700

Telephone: (888) 285-3036 (toll free)

(609) 292-7800

Fax: (609) 292-1233 **TDD:** (609) 292-1210

Internet: www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dds

8:30 AM - 5:00 PM Monday - Friday



STATE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

The Office of the Governor and the cabinet departments are listed below. Detailed information on the state agencies that specifically address the concerns of people with disabilities can be found in subsequent sections of this directory.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Telephone: (609) 292-3976 Fax: (609) 292-3978

DEPARTMENT OF BANKING & INSURANCE

Telephone: (609) 292-5360 Fax: (609) 984-5273

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Telephone: (609) 777-3322 Fax: (609) 777-3330

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE & ECONOMIC GROWTH COMMISSION

Telephone: (609) 292-2444 Fax: (609) 292-0082

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Telephone: (609) 292-6420 Fax: (609) 984-6696

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Telephone: (609) 292-4036 Fax: (609) 777-0445

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Telephone: (609) 292-4469

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Telephone: (609) 292-2885 Fax: (609) 292-7695

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SENIOR SERVICES

Telephone: (609) 292-7837 Fax: (609) 292-0053

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Telephone: (609) 292-3717 Fax: (609) 292-3824

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Telephone: (609) 292-2323 Fax: (609) 633-9271

DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY

Telephone: (609) 292-4925 Fax: (609) 292-3508

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY & VETERAN'S AFFAIRS

Telephone: (609) 530-6957 Fax: (609) 530-7191

DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL

Telephone: (609) 292-4145 Fax: (609) 984-3631

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Telephone: (609) 777-0884 Fax: (609) 292-7665

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Telephone: (609) 530-3536 Fax: (609) 530-3896

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Telephone: (609) 292-6748 Fax: (609) 984-3888

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Telephone: (609) 292-6000 Fax: (609) 292-3454 Hon. James E. McGreevey, Governor

State of New Jersey Homepage

www.state.nj.us

DISABILITY RELATED AGENCIES

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL

The Developmental Disabilities Council is New Jersey's planning body for developmental disabilities. Members are appointed by the governor and approved by the New Jersey Senate. Members include people with developmental disabilities and parents or guardians; non-governmental service providers; and representatives from state agencies that provide services to people with developmental disabilities and their families.

The Council develops and monitors the State Plan for Services to People with Developmental Disabilities and administers the federally assisted Basic State Grant Program, and publishes People With Disabilities and Families magazines.

Developmental Disabilities Council

PO Box 700

Trenton, NJ 08625-0700

Telephone: 800-216-1199 (toll free)

(609) 292-3745

TDD: (609) 777-3238 Fax: (609) 292-7114

Ethan B. Ellis, Executive Director

www.njddc.org

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL AT A GLANCE PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

Family Support

• The Monday

Project Take Charge

Morning Project

• Partners In Policy Making

For Information: (609) 292-3745

vides legal services and responds to complaints from individuals and their families, as well as from community groups. It also provides training for people with disabilities and their families to assist them to advocate for themselves.

In 1997, NJP&A assumed administration of the federally funded New Jersey Technology Assistive Resource Program (TARP), now known as the Assistive Technology Advocacy Center (ATAC) which works to make assistive devices and services more accessible to consumers.

New Jersey Protection and Advocacy, Inc.

210 South Broad Street, 3rd Floor

Trenton, NJ 08608

Telephone: (609) 292-9742 Toll Free: (800) 922-7233 TDD: (609) 633-7106 Fax: (609) 777-0187

Sara W. Mitchell, J.D., Executive Director

www.njpanda.org

NEW JERSEY PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY, INC. AT A GLANCE PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

- Protection and Advocacy for the Developmentally Disabled (PADD)
- Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness (PAIMI)
- Protection and Advocacy of Individual Rights (PAIR)
- Client Assistance Program (CAP)
- Protection and Advocacy for Assistive Technology (PAAT)

For Information: (800) 922-7233

NEW JERSEY PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY

New Jersey Protection and Advocacy, Inc (NJ P&A) is a non profit consumer directed organization that serves as New Jersey's federally funded protection and advocacy system for persons with disabilities.

The program was established to protect and advocate for the rights of citizens with disabilities in the areas of guardianship, habilitation, medical treatment, education, employment, and protection from harm, transportation, and other civil rights. It pro-

ELIZABETH M. BOGGS CENTER ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

"A UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE IN DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, EDUCATION, TRAINING AND RESEARCH"

The Elizabeth M. Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities, UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, valuing the diversity, and worth of all people, promotes the full membership and contribution of children and their families in all aspects of community life.

Through partnerships and collaborations, The Boggs Center fulfills this mission in a culturally competent manner by providing community training and technical assistance, interdisciplinary preservice preparation of students and fellows, and dissemination of information, research findings, and educational materials.

The Boggs Center

UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School 335 George St. 3rd Floor, PO Box 2688 New Brunswick, NJ 08903-2688

Telephone: (732) 235-9300 TDD: (732) 235-9328 Fax: (732) 235-9330

Deborah Spitalnik, Ph.D., Executive Director

http://rwjms.umdnj.edu/boggscenter

BOGGS CENTER AT A GLANCE FEDERALLY MANDATED CORE

FEDERALLY MANDATED COR FUNCTIONS INCLUDE:

Education

• Employment

Community Supports

• Health

• Self-determination

For Information: (732) 235-9300

KEYS TO SUCCESSFUL ADVOCACY

- **0** Make sure you have an accurate understanding of what is needed-When advocating for equipment or services, make sure have all the details and product information. If insurance is being used, ask if there are preset guidelines or requisite information that is always needed. This will save time during the application process.
- **0 Be prepared to assist professionals who may have limited experience** Your family doctor may be great, but he or she may have little or no experience in writing prescriptions for wheelchairs. Add your productive two-cents by discussing your needs, and giving as much detail as possible about what you are looking for. Some consumers prefer to use agencies for equipment and service evaluations before approaching a doctor for authorization.
- **Understand your insurance benefits** Review the terms of each program and policy. Pay careful attention to co-pays, service limits, replacement, and equipment ownership. These issues become especially important for parents with children, who will outgrow equipment, or those whose functional abilities may change with time. Remember, you may always appeal an insurance company's decision in the event of a denial, even an HMO.
- **O** Seek help from others who have succeeded- Peer support is the greatest tool to an advocate. The information that you get from peers can be priceless. Learn from those who have done it before.
- **0 Keep accurate notes-** Include dates, all contact names, and phone numbers.
- **O** Find the line between advocacy and terrorism- A successful advocate lets the system work for them. Allow professionals to do their jobs. Stay vigilant, but don't be a pest.
- **0 Be prepared to wait-** Most agencies have waiting lists, processing periods, and lots of paperwork to be done. This takes time, be prepared for some delays.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

The Department of Human Services, the largest department in state government, provides support services for people with disabilities and their families, as well as programs for mental health consumers, protective services for children, the New Jersey Medicaid program, food stamps, child care, and financial assistance.

COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED (CBVI)

The Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired, established in 1910, is one of the oldest continually operating agencies in New Jersey state government. It provides a wide range of educational services for children, vocational rehabilitation services for older teens and adults, and independent living services for people of all ages in New Jersey who are blind or visually impaired. CBVI also offers a number of special programs and services that address specific needs of individuals who are blind or visually impaired.

CBVI programs and services are available to any New Jersey resident who meets the vision criteria. Depending on family income, some people who apply are required to pay a share of the cost of programs or services.

Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired

153 Halsey Street Newark, NJ 07101

Telephone: (973) 648-2324

Fax: (973) 648-7364

CBVI FIELD OFFICES:

CBVI METRO/NORTHERN OFFICE

PO Box 47017

153 Halsey Street, Newark, NJ 07101

Telephone: (973) 648-2111

CBVI EGG HARBOR TWP. OFFICE

6712 Washington Ave.,Suite 205 Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234-1999

Telephone: (609) 645-6740 Fax: (609) 645-0131

CBVI SOUTHERN OFFICE

101 Haddon Avenue, 5th Floor Camden, NJ 08103

Telephone: (856) 614-3000

CBVI CENTRAL OFFICE

1510 Hooper Avenue, Suite 2400 Toms River, NJ 08753

Telephone: (732) 255-0720

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

P.O. Box 700 Trenton, NJ 08625-0700

Telephone: (609) 292-3717

HOTLINES

Division of Youth and Family Services 800-792-8610

Good Neighbors 877-DHS-LINE

New Jersey Care 2000 800-701-0710

Kinship Navigator 877-816-3211

CBVI JOSEPH KOHN REHABILITATION CENTER

130 Livingston Ave, New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Telephone: (732) 937-6363

DIVISION OF DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING

The Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing serves people in New Jersey who are deaf or hard of hearing by providing advocacy, employment and vocational opportunities, and by assisting with a wide variety of social, legal, medical, educational, and recreational issues.

The Division administers New Jersey's primary sign language interpreter referral service, provides assistance through an Information and Referral hotline, publishes a monthly newsletter as well as other resource information, and distributes Text Telephone equipment and Voice Carryover Phones.

Division of Deaf and Hard of Hearing

P.O. Box 074

Trenton, NJ 08625-0074

Telephone (voice/TTY): (800) 792-8339

(609) 984-7281

Fax: (609) 984-0390

DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

The Division of Developmental Disabilities arranges and coordinates needed services to eligible New Jersey residents who have developmental disabilities. DDD's mission is to assist people with developmental disabilities to live as independently as possible. DDD serves individuals who live at home with their families, as well as individuals who are in living arrangements funded and licensed by the Division. These arrangements are operated by either private agencies or by individuals under contract with DDD. The Division also operates seven developmental centers within the state.

A developmental disability is defined as a disability which begins during the developmental years, before the age of 22, and which creates lifelong conditions that affect the individual's ability to live without some assistance. Developmental disabilities substantially limit the individual in at least three of the following areas: self-care, learning, mobility, communication, self-direction, economic self-sufficiency, and the ability to live independently.

Among the services provided by DDD are case management, guardianship, assistance to parents in becoming legal guardians of their adult children, family support, residential services, day programs, and supported employment services. Most of these services are provided through contracts with private organizations or individual contractors.

Division of Developmental Disabilities

P.O. Box 726

Trenton, NJ 08625-0726 Telephone: (800) 832-9173

(609) 292-7260

Fax: (609) 292-6610

DDD REGIONAL OFFICES:

DDD Northern Regional Office

1B Laurel Drive, Flanders, NJ 07836

Telephone: (973) 927-2606 FAX: (973) 927-2689

Sussex, Warren, Morris, Bergen, Passaic, Hudson

Counties

DDD Upper Central Regional Office

59 Main Street West Orange, NJ 07052

Telephone: (973) 324-2000 Fax: (973) 324-2022

Essex, Somerset, Union Counties

DDD Lower Central Regional Office

222 South Warren Street, PO Box 700,

Trenton, NJ 08625-0700 Telephone: (609) 292-4500 Fax: (609) 292-4219

Mercer, Middlesex, Ocean, Monmouth, Hunterdon

Counties

DDD Southern Regional Office

101 Haddon Avenue, Suite 17

Camden, NJ 08103

Telephone: (856) 614-3400 Fax: (856) 614-3688

Burlington, Camden, Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland,

Gloucester, Salem Counties

DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

The Division of Mental Health Services serves adults with serious and persistent mental illnesses, as well as children and adolescents with emotional and behavioral disorders. Central to the Division's mission is the fact that these individuals are entitled to dignified and meaningful lives.

The Division operates six psychiatric hospitals, monitors and helps fund psychiatric services provided by a number of county hospitals, and contracts with more than 120 agencies for a wide range of community mental health services. Services may be accessed by contacting a County Mental Health Administrator or a county screening center.

Division of Mental Health Services

P.O. Box 727

Trenton, NJ 08625-0727 Telephone: (609) 777-0702 Fax: (609) 777-0662

COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATORS

Atlantic	(609) 645-7700
Bergen	(201) 599-6116
Burlington	(609) 265-5545
Camden	(856) 663-3998
Cape May	(609) 465-1055
Cumberland	(856) 453-7804
Essex	(973) 228-8230
Gloucester	(856) 384-6870
Hudson	(201) 271-4344
Hunterdon	(908) 788-1253
Mercer	(609) 989-6574

Middlesex	(732) 745-4518
Monmouth	(732) 431-7200
Morris	(973) 285-6852
Ocean	(732) 506-5374
Passaic	(973) 225-3700
Salem	(856) 339-8618
Somerset	(908) 704-6310
Sussex	(973) 948-6000
Union	(908) 527-4846
Warren	(908) 475-6331

OFFICE OF EDUCATION

P.O. Box 710

Trenton, NJ 08625-0710 Telephone: (609) 588-3165

Fax: (609) 588-7239

OFFICE FOR PREVENTION OF MENTAL RETARDATION & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

P.O. Box 700

Trenton, NJ 08625-0700 Telephone: (609) 984-3351 Fax: (609) 984-7963

DIVISION OF DISABILITY SERVICES

PO Box 700

Trenton, NJ 08625-0716 Telephone: (888) 285-3036

(609) 292-7800

Fax: (609) 292-1233 TDD (609) 292-1210

DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND HEALTH SERVICES

PO Box 712

Trenton, NJ 08625-0712 Telephone: (609) 588-2600

Fax: (609) 588-3583

For Medical Assistance Consumer Centers (MACCs), see page 34

DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

P.O. Box 716

Trenton, NJ 08625-0716 Telephone: (609) 588-2400

Fax: (609) 588-3369

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES

The Department of Health and Senior Services is responsible for overseeing and inspecting the state's health care facilities, city and county health departments, and community health services, in addition to protecting the public health. In 1996, the department added programs for senior citizens to its jurisdiction.

DIVISION OF FAMILY HEALTH SERVICES

PO Box 364

Trenton, NJ 08625-0364 Telephone: (609) 292-4043 Fax: (609) 292-9599

MATERNAL, CHILD, AND COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

PO Box 364

Trenton, NJ 08625-0364 Telephone: (609) 984-1384

Fax: (609) 292-9288

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH PLANNING AND REGIONAL SERVICES

PO Box 360

Trenton, NJ 08625-0360 Telephone: (609) 292-5656

Fax: (609) 292-3580

SPECIAL CHILD, ADULT, AND EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES

PO Box 364

Trenton, NJ 08625-0364 Telephone: (609) 984-0755

Fax: (609) 292-3580

SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC)

PO Box 364

Trenton, NJ 08625-0364 Telephone: (609) 292-9560

Fax: (609) 292-9288

DIVISION OF AIDS PREVENTION AND CONTROL

PO Box 363

Trenton, NJ 08625-0363 Telephone: (609) 984-5874 Fax: (609) 292-4244

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

PO Box 360 Trenton, NJ 08625-0360 Telephone: (609) 292-7837 Fax: (609) 292-0053

ELDERLY ABUSE HOTLINE 800-792-8820

DIVISION OF ADDICTION SERVICES

PO Box 362

Trenton, NJ 08625-0362 Telephone: (609) 292-5760

Fax: (609) 292-3816

DIVISION OF CONSUMER SUPPORT

PO Box 722

Trenton, NJ 08625-0722 Telephone: (609) 588-2611

Fax: (609)584-5065

DIVISION OF SENIOR AFFAIRS

PO Box 807

Trenton, NJ 08625-0807 Telephone: (609) 943-3345

Fax: (609) 943-3343

OFFICE OF MINORITY AND MULTICULTURAL HEALTH

PO Box 360

Trenton, NJ 08625-0360 Telephone: (609) 292-6962

Fax: (609) 292-8713

OFFICE OF OMBUDSMAN FOR THE INSTITUTIONALIZED ELDERLY

PO Box 807

Trenton, NJ 08625

Telephone: 609-588-3146

Fax: 609-588-3365

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

The Department of Community Affairs provides a variety of services to low-income families, women and persons with disabilities. Services include rental assistance, including the federal Section 8 voucher program, and emergency shelter grants and homelessness prevention.

DIVISION OF CODES AND STANDARDS

PO Box 802

Trenton, NJ 08625-0802 Telephone: (609) 292-7899

Fax: (609) 633-6729

DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES

PO Box 806

Trenton, NJ 08625-0806 Telephone: (609) 633-6246

Fax: (609) 984-8454

DIVISION ON WOMEN

PO Box 801

Trenton, NJ 08625-0801 Fax: (609) 633-6821

Telephone: (609) 292-8840

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

PO Box 800 Trenton, NJ 08625-0800 Telephone: (609) 292-6420 Fax: (609) 984-6696

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE 800-572-SAFE

WOMEN'S REFERRAL 800-322-8092

COUNCIL ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING

PO Box 813

Trenton, NJ 08625-0813 Telephone: (609) 292-3000 Fax: (609) 633-6056

OFFICE OF RECREATION

PO Box 800

Trenton, NJ 08625-0800 Telephone: (609) 292-6243

For information on the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency, see page 43

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRSOFFICE OF REGULATORY AFFAIRS

The Office of Regulatory Affairs is responsible for the enforcement of the New Jersey Barrier Free Sub-Code. Complaints can be made verbally or in writing to:

Supervisor of Investigations
Department of Community Affairs
Office of Regulatory Affairs
PO Box 818
Trenton, NJ 08625
Telephone: (609) 984-7672

Telephone: (609) 984-7672 FAX: (609) 984-7718

WHEN MAKING A COMPLAINT, PLEASE HAVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- **0** The complete address of the building that is thought to be non-compliant.
- **0** A brief explanation of how the building seems to be non-compliant

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Department of Education is responsible for overseeing more than 600 school districts, and administering education programs to more than 1.4 million public and nonpublic elementary and secondary school children. The Office of Special Education Programs, within the Division of Student Services, has oversight responsibilities for the provision of education and. related support services to students with disabilities, 3 to 21.

DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES

PO Box 500

Trenton, NJ 08625-0500 Telephone: (609) 292-9899

Fax: (609) 633-1046

OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

PO Box 500

Trenton, NJ 08625-0500 Telephone: (609) 292-0147 Fax: (609) 984-8422

DIVISION OF ACADEMIC AND CAREER STANDARDS

PO Box 500

Trenton, NJ 08625-0500 Telephone: (609) 292-1083

Fax: (609) 777-4481

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

PO Box 500 Trenton, NJ 08625-0500 Telephone: (609) 292-4469

Fax: (609) 777-4099

For information of the New Jersey
Higher Education Student
Assistance Authority,
see page 38

DIVISION OF FIELD SERVICES

PO Box 500

Trenton, NJ 08625-0500 Telephone: (609) 292-4442

MARIE KATZENBACH SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

PO Box 535

West Trenton, NJ 08625-0535 Telephone: (609) 530-3100 TDD: (609) 530-6620 Fax: (609) 530-5791

LEARNING RESOURCE CENTERS AT A GLANCE

Learning Resource Center-Northern Region

240 South Harrison Street, 6th Floor

East Orange, NJ 07018 Telephone: 973-414-4491 FAX: 973-414-4496 TDD: 973-266-1849

Preschool Technical Assistance: 973-631-6349 *Serving:* Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Morris, Passaic,

Sussex, and Warren Counties

Learning Resource Center-Northern Satellite

322 American Road Morris Plains, NJ 07950 Telephone: 973-631-6345 FAX: 973-631-6350 TDD: 973-631-6490

Preschool Technical Assistance: 973-631-6349 *Serving:* Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Morris, Passaic,

Sussex, and Warren Counties

Learning Resource Center-Central Region

1 Crest Way Aberdeen, NJ 07747

Telephone: 732-441-0061 FAX: 732-441-0318 TDD: 732-441-0320

Preschool Technical Assistance: 732-441-0460 *Serving:* Hunterdon, Mercer Middlesex, Monmouth,

Ocean, Somerset, and Union Counties

Learning Resource Center-Southern Region

606 Delsea Drive Sewell, NJ 08080

Telephone: 856-582-7000 FAX: 856-582-4323 TDD: 856-582-5838

Preschool Technical Assistance: 856-583-7000 *Serving:* Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, and Salem Counties

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

The Department of Labor promotes economic activity; monitors labor standards, and administer federally funded programs, such as workers compensation, disability insurance and unemployment compensation. The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services is responsible for training and placement of persons of employable age with disabilities.

WORK FORCE NJ

PO Box 055

Trenton, NJ 08625

Telephone: (609) 292-2000

Fax: (609) 777-0483

DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES

PO Box 398

Trenton, NJ 08625-0398 Telephone: (609) 292-5987 Fax: (609) 292-8347

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

PO Box 110 Trenton, NJ 08625-0110 Telephone: (609) 292-2323 Fax: (609) 633-9271

Division of Workers Compensation 609-292-2515

Unemployment Insurance 609-292-2460

State Temporary Disability 609-292-7060

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AT A GLANCE

CRITERIA

Any person with a physical or mental impairment, which is a substantial impediment to employment may qualify for vocational rehabilitation services. Each consumer is evaluated individually for eligibility and needed assistance. Individuals who are blind or have a serious visual impairment are served by the Commission for the Blind (CBVI), all others receive service from NJDVR.

SERVICES PROVIDED

- **0** Diagnostic Evaluation
- **0** Individual Vocational Counseling and Guidance
- **0** Job Seeking Skills Training and Selective Job Placement
- Follow-Up Support Services
- **0** Post-Employment Services
- **0** Physical Restoration
- **0** Job Coaching, Vocational, Professional, or On the Job Training

FEE FOR SERVICE

Many of the services listed above are provided free of charge. Coverage of expenses for medical services, training, books and supplies, tools and other equipment are based on the individual's ability to pay.

DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION 609-292-5987 FOR A LIST OF OFFICES, SEE PAGES 38, 39

COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND & VISUALLY IMPAIRED 973-648-2324
FOR A LIST OF OFFICES, SEE PAGE 6

DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

The Department of Law & Public Safety houses the Division on Civil Rights, which investigates allegations of discrimination. The department also contains the Attorney General's Office, and divisions dealing with criminal justice, consumer affairs, monitoring of professional boards, and enforcement of the Wheelchair Lemon Law.

DIVISION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

PO Box 089

PO Box 090 (Complaints)

Trenton, NJ 08625

Telephone: (609) 984-3100

Fax: (609) 292-3458

Telephone: (609) 292-4605 (complaints)

Fax: (609) 984-3812 (complaints)

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

PO Box 081

Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex 25 Market Street

> Trenton, NJ 08625-0081 Telephone: (609) 292-4925

> For information on the Wheelchair Lemon Law see page 30

DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

124 Halsey Street PO Box 45027 Newark, NJ 07101

Telephone: (973) 504-6534

Fax: (973) 648-3538

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERAN'S AFFAIRS

The New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, under the direction of the Adjutant General, is both the headquarters for the New Jersey Army and Air National Guard and the government agency responsible for the administration of state provided veterans' programs and services within the state.

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

PO Box 340 Trenton, NJ 08625 Telephone: (609) 530-6956 FAX: (609) 530-7191

VETERAN'S AFFAIRS HOTLINE 800-624-0508

DIVISION OF VETERANS HEALTHCARE SERVICES

PO Box 340

Trenton, NJ 08625-0340 Telephone: (609) 530-6967

Fax: (609) 530-6970

DIVISION OF VETERANS' PROGRAMS

PO Box 340

Trenton, NJ 08625-0340 Telephone: (609) 530-7051

Fax: (609) 530-6970

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

The Department of the Treasury assumes responsibility for three major functions; revenue collection and generation, assets management and state wide support services. The Department also houses the Office on Disabilities Management, which is responsible for issues of compliance with the ADA in state owned buildings and state run programs.

OFFICE OF DISABILITIES MANAGEMENT

PO Box 039

Trenton, NJ 08625-0039 Telephone: (609) 292-7299 TDD: (609) 292-6525

Fax: (609) 984-8495

OFFICE OF THE STATE TREASURER

PO Box 002 Trenton, NJ 08625 Telephone (609) 292-5031 Fax (609) 984-3888

THE OFFICE OF DISABILITIES MANAGEMENT AT A GLANCE

The Office of Disabilities Management is responsible for the following areas:

- **0** Barrier Free Compliance of State owned and operated facilities.
- **0** Implementation and assistance to allow access to all programs, services and activities offered by the State.
- **0** Technical assistance and advice concerning accessibility standards, adaptive devices to allow full inclusion by persons with disabilities.
- **0** Provide funding for modifications needed to ensure accessibility to all state owned and operated facilities.

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COUNTY RESOURCES

COUNTY OFFICES FOR THE DISABLED

County Offices for the Disabled function as a clearinghouse for information about programs and services advocate for people with disabilities and provide technical assistance at a local level.

ATLANTIC COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE DISABLED

Shoreview Building

101 South Shore Road, Room 113

Northfield, NJ 08225

Telephone: (609) 645-7700 x4519

TDD: (609) 348-5551 Fax: (609) 645-1809 Kathy Quish, Director www.aclink.org

BERGEN COUNTY DIVISION ON DISABILITY SERVICES

One Bergen County Plaza, Second Floor

Hackensack, NJ 07601 Telephone: (201) 336-6500 TTY: (201) 336-6505 Fax: (201) 336-6510 Jim Thebery, Director

CAMDEN COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE DISABLED

Camden County Administration Building

Lower Level, 600 Market Street

Camden, NJ 08102

Telephone: (856) 225-5232 TDD: (856) 225-8889 Fax: (856) 225-5154 L. Robbie Friedner, Director

CUMBERLAND COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE DISABLED

1121 South Second Street Millville, NJ 08332

Telephone: (856) 825-8707 Fax: (856) 327-2086 David Grennon, Director

ESSEX COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE DISABLED

160 Fairview Avenue Cedar Grove, NJ 07009 Telephone: (973) 228-8230 TDD/Fax: (973) 228-8278 Sally Goodson, Director

GLOUCESTER COUNTY OFFICE OF

DISABILITY SERVICES

Budd Boulevard Complex

Route 45 & Budd Boulevard, PO Box 337

Woodbury, NJ 08096 Telephone: (856) 384-6980 TDD: (856) 848-6616 Fax: (856) 384-6915 Jackie Love, Director

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON

Administration Building, Main Street

Flemington, NJ 08822

Voice/TDD: (908) 788-1372

Fax: (908) 806-4204

Barbara Metzger, Disability Planner

MERCER COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE DISABLED

Joyce McDade Administration Building 640 South Broad Street, PO Box 8068

Trenton, NJ 08650

Telephone: (609) 989-6468 TDD: (609) 989-6865 Fax: (609) 989-6032 Tom Shaw, Director

MIDDLESEX COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE DISABLED

Middlesex County Administration Building

JFK Square, 5th Floor New Brunswick, NJ 08903 Telephone: (732) 745-4013 Fax: (732) 745-3493 Lawrence Rivera, Director

MONMOUTH COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE DISABLED

Hall of Records Annex, 1 East Main Street

Freehold, NJ 07728

Telephone: (732) 431-7399 TDD: (732) 431-2066 Fax: (732) 431-7875

Alexander Buono, Executive Director

MORRIS COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE DISABLED

PO Box 900, Morristown, NJ 07963

Voice/TDD: (973) 285-6853

Fax: (973) 285-6883 Christina Brino, Director

County Offices for the Disabled At A Glance

Services Provided:

- Information and Referral
- Technical Assistance
- Consumer Advocacy
- Outreach

OCEAN COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE DISABLED

1027 Hooper Ave. Building 2, 2nd Floor

Toms River, NJ 08754 Voice/TDD: (732) 506-5062

Fax: (732) 341-4539

Faith Liguori, Office Manager

SALEM COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE DISABLED

Salem County Inter-agency Council 98 Market Street, Salem, NJ 08079

Telephone: (856) 935-7510 Fax: (856) 935-7747

Karen Rizzo-Richards, Coordinator

SOMERSET COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE DISABLED

PO Box 3000, Somerville, NJ 08876

Telephone: (908) 231-7179 TDD: (908) 231-7168 Fax: (908) 707-4127 John Getsy, Director

SUSSEX COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE DISABLED

County Administration Building

Potts Road

Newton, NJ 07860

Telephone: (973) 579-0560 TDD: (973) 838-8247 Fax: (973) 579-0513 Maureen Babula, Director

UNION COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE DISABLED

County Administration Building Fourth Floor, Elizabethtown Plaza

Elizabeth, NJ 07207

Voice/TDD: (908) 527-4840

Fax: (908) 558-2562 Charles Newman, Director

COUNTY CRISIS INTERVENTION CONTACTS

The numbers listed below provide callers with access to emergency services and counseling for non-medical emergencies and crisis intervention.

ATT ANTEC COLINTEY	(00 244 1110
ATLANTIC COUNTY	609-344-1118
BERGEN COUNTY	201-262-4357
BURLINGTON COUNTY	609-835-6180
CAMDEN COUNTY	856-428-4357
	or 856-541-2222
CAPE MAY COUNTY	609-465-5999
CUMBERLAND COUNTY	856-455-5555
ESSEX COUNTY	973-266-4480
GLOUCESTER COUNTY	856-845-9100
HUDSON COUNTY	201-915-2210
HUNTERDON COUNTY	908-788-6400
MERCER COUNTY	609-394-6086
MIDDLESEX COUNTY	732-235-5700
MONMOUTH COUNTY	732-923-6999
MORRIS COUNTY	973-625-6150
	or 973-540-0100
OCEAN COUNTY	800-245-9090
PASSAIC COUNTY	973-470-3026
SALEM COUNTY	856-299-3001
SOMERSET COUNTY	908-526-4100
SUSSEX COUNTY	973-383-0973
UNION COUNTY	908-232-2880
WARREN COUNTY	908-454-5141

COUNTY BOARDS OF SOCIAL SERVICE

ATLANTIC COUNTY	(609) 348-3001
BERGEN COUNTY	(201) 368-4200
BURLINGTON COUNTY	(609) 261-1000
CAMDEN COUNTY	(856) 225-8800
CAPE MAY COUNTY	(609) 886-6200
CUMBERLAND COUNTY	(856) 691-4600
ESSEX COUNTY	(973) 733-3000
GLOUCESTER COUNTY	(856) 582-9200
HUDSON COUNTY	(201) 420-3000
HUNTERDON COUNTY	(908) 788-1300
MERCER COUNTY	(609) 989-4320
MIDDLESEX COUNTY	(732) 745-3500
MONMOUTH COUNTY	(732) 431-6000
MORRIS COUNTY	(973) 326-7800
OCEAN COUNTY	(732) 349-1500
PASSAIC COUNTY	(973) 881-0100
SALEM COUNTY	(856) 299-7200
SOMERSET COUNTY	(908) 526-8800
SUSSEX COUNTY	(973) 383-3600
UNION COUNTY	(908) 965-2700
WARREN COUNTY	(908) 475-6301

CENTERS FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING

Centers for Independent Living, many of them funded through the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services, are community-based, consumer-driven organizations that provide information and referral, peer counseling, skills training, advocacy and a variety of services based on individual needs.

STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL (SILC)

7 West Lake Drive Montville, NJ 07045 Telephone: (973) 316-6177

Fax: (973) 316-6179 TDD: (973-316-6178

www.njil.org

ALLIANCE FOR DISABLED IN ACTION (ADA)

629 Amboy Ave., Edison, NJ 08837

Telephone: (732) 738-4388 Fax: (732) 738-4416

TDD: (732) 738-9644 (Middlesex, Somerset, Union Counties)

www.adacil.org

CAMDEN CITY INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTER

2600 Mt. Ephrim Ave Suite 415

Camden, NJ 08104

Telephone: (856) 966-0800

Fax: (856) 966-0832

TDD: (856) 966-0830 (City of Camden)

CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING OF SOUTH JERSEY (CIL-SJ)

1200 North Delsea Drive Plaza 47, Suite 6

Westville, NJ 08093

Telephone: (856) 853-6490 Toll free: (800) 413-3791 Fax: (856) 853-1466

TDD: (856) 853-7602 (Camden and Gloucester Counties)

DIAL, INC.

66 Mount Prospect Avenue, Suite C1

Clifton, NJ 07013

Telephone: (973) 470-8090 Fax: (973) 470-8171

TDD: (973) 470-2521 (Essex and Passaic Counties)

DAWN, INC.

400 S. Main Street Suite 3

Wharton, NJ 07885

Telephone: (973) 361-5666 Fax: (973) 361-7086

TDD: (973) 361-6032 (Morris, Sussex and Warren Counties)

HANDICAPPED ADVOCATES FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING (HAIL)

832 Park Ave.

Collingswood, NJ 08108

Telephone: (856) 854-7781 (Camden County)

Fax: (856) 663-3408

HEIGHTENED INDEPENDENCE & PROGRESS (HIP)

131 Main Street, Suite 120 Hackensack, NJ 07601 Telephone: (201) 996-9100

Fax: (201) 996-9422

TDD: (201) 996-9424 (Bergen County)

www.hipcil.org

HEIGHTENED INDEPENDENCE & PROGRESS-HUDSON

2815 Kennedy Blvd, Suite 2-G

Jersey City, NJ 07306 Telephone: (201) 413-1200

Fax: (201) 413-0520

TDD: (201) 413-0521 (Hudson County)

MOCEANS CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING

279 Broadway, First Floor Long Branch, NJ 07740 Telephone: (732) 571-4884 Fax: (732) 571-4003

TDD: (732) 571-4878 (Monmouth and Ocean County)

www.moceans.org

PROGRESSIVE CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING (PCIL)

Parkway Plaza Shopping Center 831 Parkway Avenue, Unit B-2

Ewing, NJ 08618

Telephone (609) 530-0006

TTY: (609) 530-1234 (Hunterdon and Mercer Counties)

Fax: (609) 530-1166

RESOURCES FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING (RIL)

126 Franklin St. Riverside, NJ 08075

Telephone: (856) 764-2745

Fax: (856) 764-5573

TDD: (856) 461-3482 (Burlington County)

www.rilnj.org

TRI-COUNTY INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTER, INC.

120 North High Street #12

Millville, NJ 08332

Telephone: (856) 327-5177

Fax: (856) 327-5153

TDD: (856) 327-5328 (Cape May, Cumberland, Salem Counties)

TOTAL LIVING CENTER (TLC)

402-A White Horse Pike, PO Box 342

Egg Harbor, NJ 08215 Telephone: (609) 965-3734 Fax: (609) 965-1270

TDD: (609) 965-5390 (Atlantic County)

www.total-living-center.org

NJ EASE

NJ EASE (New Jersey Easy Access, Single Entry) is a New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services program, in partnership with county governments, to provide a convenient way for senior citizens and their families to learn about and obtain needed services. NJ EASE provides information on and access to services that address the financial, medical, and social needs of seniors.

1-877-222-3737

Through NJ EASE, each county in New Jersey provides outreach, case management, transportation, senior centers, volunteer opportunities, health promotion, nutrition programs, education, health insurance counseling, adult protective services, senior employment, and information on housing and long-term care options.

County Offices on Aging			
Atlantic County1-888-426-9243	Middlesex County732-745-3293/3295		
Bergen County201-646-2625	Monmouth County1-800-246-9292		
Burlington County609-265-5069	Morris County1-800-564-4656		
Camden County1-800-955-2446	Ocean County1-800-668-4899		
Cape May County609-886-2784	Passaic County1-800-223-0556		
Cumberland County609-453-8066	Salem County609-935-7510	ext. 8446	
Essex County973-395-8375	Somerset County1-888-747-1122		
Gloucester County609-384-6910	Sussex County973-579-0555		
Hudson County1-888-357-7715	Union County1-888-280-8226		
Hunterdon County908-788-1363/1362	or 908-527-4870/4872		
Mercer County609-989-6661	Warren County908-475-6593/6591		

ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES

609-943-3472

The role of Adult Protective Services, a program of the Department of Health and Senior Services, Division of Senior Affairs, is to investigate complaints of suspected abuse, neglect, and/or exploitation of vulnerable adults aged 18 or older. A complaint to Adult Protective Services will generate a thorough assessment, which will include a private face-to-face interview with the potentially at-risk adult, to determine if intervention is warranted. All information generated by the investigation is confidential. A report of suspected abuse may be made to the Senior Affairs Information and Referral toll-free number or to the APS office in the county in which the individual lives.

Senior Affairs In	formation and F	Referral Line 800-792-8820
Atlantic County609-645-7700	Ext. 4262	Middlesex County732-745-3635
Bergen County201-368-4300		Monmouth County 732-531-9191
Burlington County609-261-1000	Ext. 356	Morris County973-326-7282
Camden County856-225-8190		or 973-326-7283
Cape May County609-886-6200	Ext. 370	Ocean County732-286-5819
Cumberland County856-825-6810	Ext. 219	Passaic County973-881-2612
	or 299	973-881-2600
Essex County973-673-6366		or 973-881-2616
or 973-673-0640	Ext. 27	Salem County856-935-7510
Gloucester County856-582-9200		Somerset County908-526-8800
or 856-256-2274		Sussex County973-383-3600 Ext. 40
Hudson County201-295-5160		Union County908-497-3900
Hunterdon County908-788-1300		or 908-497-3902
Mercer County609-989-4346		Warren County908-475-6301

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DISABILITY SPECIFIC RESOURCES

The following agencies are grouped by their service population. Agencies listed provide services on a statewide basis. These agencies provide a variety of support services. They are categorized by target disability as a matter of reference, although some may serve additional populations. Where a local website was not available, a national site has been substituted

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

The Alzheimer's Association Greater New Jersey Chapter 400 Morris Avenue Suite 251 Denville, NJ 07834

Telephone: 973-586-4300

South Jersey Chapter

The Atriums at Greentree Commons 11000 Lincoln Drive West, Suite 7

Marlton, NJ 08053-3431 Telephone: (800) 706-2112 (856) 797-1212

olz org

www.alz.org

ARTHRITIS/FIBROMYALGIA

Arthritis Foundation-New Jersey Chapter 200 Middlesex Turnpike

Iselin, NJ 08830

Telephone: (888) 467-3112 (Toll Free)

(732) 283-4300

www.arthritis.org

AIDS/HIV

Hyacinth AIDS Foundation

78 New Street

New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Telephone: (800) 433-0254 (Toll Free)

www.hyacinth.org

AMYOTROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS (ALS)

Neuromuscular and ALS Center

Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital

UMDNJ-RWJMS 125 Paterson Street

New Brunswick, NJ 08901 Telephone: (732) 235-7340 ww2.umdnj.edu/nmalsweb

AUTISM

New Jersey Center for Outreach and Services for the Autism Community, Inc. (COSAC),

1450 Parkside Avenue, Suite 22

Ewing, NJ 08638

Telephone: (609) 883-8100

(800) 4-AUTISM (Toll Free)

Fax: (609) 883-5509 www.njcosac.org

BLIND/ VISUALLY IMPAIRED

National Federation for the Blind-NJ

69 Prospect Place Belleville, NJ 07109

Telephone: (973) 759-3622

www.nfb.org

New Jersey Council for the Blind

47 Center Ave.

Leonardo, NJ 07737

Telephone: (732) 872-1990

New Jersey Foundation for the Blind

PO Box 929

230 Diamond Spring Road

Denville, NJ 07834

Telephone: (973) 627-0055

CEREBRAL PALSY

Cerebral Palsy of New Jersey

354 South Broad Street, Trenton, NJ 08608

Telephone: (609) 392-4004

(888) 322-1918

FAX: (609) 392-3505

Northwest Regional Office: (908) 813-8292 Southern Regional Office: (609) 321-0220

www.cpofnj.org

Alliance for the Betterment of Citizens with

Disabilities (ABCD) 127 Route 206, Suite 18 Hamilton, NJ 08610 Telephone: 609-581-8375

Fax: 609-581-8512

Agencies of ABCD

Cerebral Palsy of Essex & West Hudson

Counties 973-751-0200

Cerebral Palsy League of Union County

908-709-1800 x110

Cerebral Palsy of Monmouth & Ocean Counties

732-493-5900

Cerebral Palsy of North Jersey

973-763-9900 x200

Disabilities Resource Center of Atlantic & Cape May Counties 609-628-2600

Passaic County Elks Cerebral Palsy Treatment Center 973-772-0148

United Cerebral Palsy of Hudson County 201-662-0080

Cerebral Palsy Association of Middlesex County 10 Oak Drive

Edison, NJ 08837

Telephone: 732-549-5580

Fax: 732-494-6038

United Cerebral Palsy of Morris-Somerset, Inc.

245 Main Street, Suite 113

Chester, NJ 07930 Telephone: 908-879-2243

Fax: 908-879-8363

Githens Center (Burlington County Cerebral Palsy

Association) 40 Cedar Street

Mount Holly, NJ 08060 Telephone: 609-261-1667 Fax: 609-261-1844

www.githsenscenter.org

CANCER

American Cancer Society-NJ 3076 Princeton Pike Lawrenceville, NJ 08648 Telephone: 609-895-0101

www.cancer.org

CHRONIC FATIGUE SYNDROME

NJCFSA (New Jersey Chronic Fatigue Syndrome

Association, Inc.) PO Box 841

Chatham, NJ 07928 Telephone: 973-635-4361

http://llnjcfsa.org

CROHN'S DISEASE

Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America

New Jersey Chapter 45 Wilson Ave.

Manalapan, NJ 07726 Telephone: 732-786-9960

www.ccfa.org

COGNITIVE DISABILITY

The Arc of New Jersey 985 Livingston Avenue North Brunswick, NJ 08902 Telephone: (732) 246-2525

Fax: (732) 214-1834

www.arcnj.org

CROSS-DISABILITY

Alliance for the Betterment of Citizens with

Disabilities (ABCD) 127 Route 206, Suite 18 Hamilton, NJ 08610 Telephone: (609) 581-8375

Fax: (609) 581-8512

Coalition for Inclusive Ministries Elizabeth M. Boggs Center-UAP

335 George St. 3rd Floor, PO Box 2688

New Brunswick, NJ 08903-2688 Telephone: (732) 235-9300 TDD: (732) 235-9328

Fax: (732) 235-9330

www.rwjms.umdnj.edu/boggscenter

Community Access Unlimited

80 West Grand Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07202

Telephone: (908) 354-3040 Fax: (908) 354-2665

www.caunj.org

Easter Seal Society of New Jersey, Inc.

1 Kimberly Road

East Brunswick, NJ 08816 Telephone: (732) 257-6662 Fax: (732) 257-7373

www.easterseals.org

Spectrum for Living

210 Rivervale Road, River Vale, NJ 07675

Telephone: (201) 358-8000 Fax: (201) 358-8089 www.spectrumforliving.org

DEAF/HEARING IMPAIRED

Self Help for Hard of Hearing People (SHHH)

Telephone: (732) 477-9346 Fax: (732) 262-0984 www.shhh.org

Association of Late-Deafened Adults (ALDA-NJ)

PO Box 423 Tenafly, NJ 07670

Voice/TTY: (201) 768-2552

www.alda.org

NJ Association of the Deaf, Inc. (NJAD)

PO Box 7508

West Trenton, NJ 08628 Voice/TTY: (609) 895-1575

Fax: (609) 895-0307

DIABETES

American Diabetes Association

Northern NJ Chapter 19 Schoolhouse Rd. Somerset, NJ 08873

Telephone: (732) 469-7979

Fax: (732) 469-3906 www.diabetes.org

American Diabetes Association

Southern NJ Chapter

1060 Kings Highway North, Suite 309

Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 Telephone: (856) 482-9047 Fax: (856) 667-8631

www.diabetes.org

EATING DISORDERS

American Anorexia and Bulimia Association, Inc.

New Jersey Chapter

Telephone: (800) 522-2230 http://members.aol.com/njaaba

Food Addicts Anonymous

P.O. Box 4337

Brick, NJ 08623-1637

Telephone: (908) 654-6223

EMPHYSEMA

American Lung Association

New Jersey Chapter 1600 Route 22 East

Union, NJ 07083-3407

Telephone: (908) 687-9340

Fax: (908) 851-2625 www.lungusa.org

EPILEPSY

Epilepsy Foundation of New Jersey

429 River View Plaza Trenton, NJ 08611

Telephone: (800) 336-5843

(609) 392-4900

Fax: (609) 392-5621 www.efnj.com

HEAD INJURY/TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY

Brain Injury Association of New Jersey

1090 King Georges Post Road Suite 708, Edison, NJ 08837 Telephone: (732) 738-1002

(800) 669-4323

Fax: (732) 738-1132

www.bianj.org

HEART DISEASE

American Heart Association

New Jersey Affiliate

2550 Route 1

North Brunswick, NJ 08902 Telephone: (732) 821-2610

Fax: (732) 821-2736 www.americanheart.org

HEPATITIS

Hepatitis Foundation International

National Headquarters 30 Sunrise Terrace

Cedar Grove, NJ 07009-1423

Telephone: (800) 891-0707

(973)-239-1035

Fax: (973) 857-5044

www.hepfi.org

HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE

Huntington's Disease Society of America

New Jersey Chapter 114 B South Main St.

Box 67A

Cranbury, NJ 08512

Telephone: (609) 448-3500

Fax: (609) 448-3521

www.hdsa.org

LEARNING DISABILITIES

Learning Disabilities Association of NJ

PO Box 187

Oceanport, NJ 07757

Telephone: (732) 571-1221

LUPUS

Lupus Foundation of America

Northern/Central NJ Chapter

PO Box 320

Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

Telephone: (800) 322-5816

(201) 791-7868

Fax: (201) 794-8605

www.lupus.org

Southern NJ Chapter

Heritage Executive Complex 1873 Route 70 East, Suite 110F

Cherry Hill, NJ 08003 Telephone: (856) 424-0255

Fax: (856) 424-0219 www.lupus.org

MENTAL ILLNESS

Mental Health Association of New Jersey

60 South Fullerton Avenue Montclair, NJ 07042

Telephone: (973) 744-1026

www.mhanj.org

COMHCO (Coalition of Mental Health Consumers

Organizations)

Self-Help Center (973) 778-7361 www.community.nj.com/cc/comhco

NAMI-New Jersey 1562 Route 130

North Brunswick, NJ 08902 Telephone: (732) 940-0991

Fax: (732) 940-0355 www.naminj.optonline.net

MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY

Muscular Dystrophy Association 1030 St. Georges Avenue, Suite 303A

Avenel, NJ 07001

Telephone: (732) 750-2333 Fax: (732) 736-5580 www.mdausa.org

Muscular Dystrophy Association 1003-A Lincoln Drive, West

Marlton, NJ 08053

Telephone: (856) 810-0800 Fax: (856) 810-2415

www.mdausa.org

Muscular Dystrophy Association

1161 Broad St., Suite 114 Shrewsbury, NJ 07702 Telephone: (732) 386-0855

Fax: (732) 389-0854 www.mdausa.org

Muscular Dystrophy Association 5940 Hamilton Blvd., Suite F

Allentown, PA 18106

Telephone: (610) 391-1977 Fax: (610) 391-0416 www.mdausa.org Muscular Dystrophy Association 25 E. Spring Valley Avenue

Maywood, NJ 07607

Telephone: (201) 843-4452 Fax: (201) 843-2324

www.mdausa.org

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

Greater North Jersey

Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society

1 Kalisa Way, Suite 205 Paramus, NJ 07927

Telephone: (201) 967-5599 Fax: (201) 967-7085

www.njbnmss.org

National Multiple Sclerosis Society

Mid-Jersey Chapter 246 Moumoth Road Oakhurst, NJ 07755

Telephone: (732) 643-0010

Fax: (732) 643 0116 www.njcms.org

Multiple Sclerosis Society

Greater Delaware Valley Chapter

1 Reed Street

Philadelphia, PA 19147 Telephone: (215) 271-2400

Fax: (215) 271-6122 www.pae.nmss.org/

Multiple Sclerosis Association of America

National Headquarters 706 Haddonfield Road Cherry Hill, NJ 08002

Telephone: 1-800-LEARN MS (532-7667)

www.msaa.com

PARKINSON'S DISEASE

American Parkinson's Disease Association, Inc. Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital

1 Robert Wood Johnson Place New Brunswick, NJ 08903-2601 Telephone: (732) 745-7520

Fax: (732) 745-3114 www.apdaparkinson.org

POLIO/POST-POLIO

New Jersey Polio Network

PO Box 537

Martinsville, NJ 08836 Telephone: (201) 845-6860

Fax: (201) 843-2903

http://community.nj.com/cc/njpnpolio

SCLERODERMA

Scleroderma Foundation 1182 Teaneck Road, Suite 104 Teaneck, NJ 07666

Telephone: (201) 837-9826

Fax: (201) 837-9828

www.scleroderma.org/chapter/tristate

SPINA BIFIDA

Spina Bifida Association of Tri-State Region 84 Park Avenue

Flemington, NJ 08822 Telephone: (908) 782-7475 Fax: (908) 782-6102

www.sbatsr.org

SENSORY IMPAIRMENTS

New Jersey Association of the Deaf-Blind, Inc. 24 K World's Fair Drive

Somerset, NJ 08873-1349

Telephone/TTY: (732) 805-1912

Fax: (732) 805-3088 www.njadb.org

New Jersey Speech, Language and Hearing Association

203 Towne Centre Drive Hillsbourgh, NJ 08844-4693 Telephone: (908) 359-1184 Fax: (908) 359-7619

www.njsha.org

SPINAL CORD INJURY (SCI)

NSCIA Greater Rochester Area Chapter

P. O. Box 20516

Rochester, NY 14602-0516 Telephone: 716-264-0834 Telephone: 716-275-6345 www.spinalcord.org

Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation

500 Morris Avenue Springfield, NJ 07081 Telephone: 800-225-0292

www.paralysis.org

Central Jersey Spinal Cord Association

P.O. Box 74

New Brunswick, NJ 08903 Telephone: (732) 220-0870

STROKE/CVA

Please call the Division of Disability Services for resources.

DON'T SEE WHAT YOU NEED?

The Division of Disability Services maintains an extensive list of resources.

Call with specific questions or inquiries

888-285-3036



INTERNET RESOURCES

ADAPT(American Disabled for Attendant Programs Today) www.adapt.org

Advocates for Better Communication www.lhh.org/abc

Archimedes Project (Adaptive Technology) www-csli.stanford.edu/arch

Center for Accessible Society www.accessiblesociety.org

Disability Central www.disabilitycentral.com

Disabilities Studies and Resource Center www.dssc.org

Disability Resources Monthly www.disabilityresources.org/

Disability Social History Project www.disabilityhistory.com

DO-IT Foundation (Self Determination & Employment) www.washington.edu/doit

Family Village www.familyvillage.wisc.org

Half the Planet www.halftheplanet.com

Health World Online www.healthy.org

I Can Online www.icanonline.net

Inclusion Network www.inclusion.org

Independent Living USA www.ilusa.com

Institute for Community Inclusion http://web1.tch.harvard.edu/ici/

Institute on Disability Culture www.dimenet.com/disculture

Institute on Independent Living www.independentliving.org

International Paralympic Committee www.paralympic.org

Mobility International USA www.miusa.org

National Association on Alcohol, Drugs & Disability www.naadd.org

National Council on Disability www.ncd.gov

National Organization on Disability www.nod.org

National Parent Network on Disabilities www.npnd.org/main.htm

National Rehabilitation Information Center www.naric.com

Parents Place www.parentsplace.com

Project Gutenberg (E-text Archive) http://sailor.gutenberg.org/

Society for Disability Studies www.uic.edu/orgs/sds/

Spinal Cord Society http://members.aol.com/scsweb/private/scshome.htm

Through the Looking Glass www.lookingglass.org

Untangling the Web www.icdi.wvu.edu/others.htm

Virtual Community for the Disabled www.linkable.org

Wired on Wheels www.wiredonwheels.com



ADVOCACY RESOURCES

ADVOCACY-GENERAL

Alliance for the Betterment of Citizens with Disabilities (ABCD) 127 Route 206, Suite 18 Hamilton, NJ 08610

Telephone: (609) 581-8375

Fax: (609) 581-8512 (also on page 16)

Association for the Advancement of Mental Health 819 Alexander Road

Princeton, NJ 08540

Telephone: (609) 452-2088

Fax: (609) 452-0627

Association for Children of New Jersey 35 Halsey Street, 2nd Floor, Newark, NJ 07102

Telephone: (973) 643-3876 Fax: (973) 643-9153 www.acnj.org

Association for Special Children and Families

PO Box 494

Hewitt, NJ 07421-0494 Telephone: (973) 728-8744

Fax: (973) 728-5919 Fax: (609) 566-7340

New Jersey Self-Advocacy Project

44 Stelton Road, Suite 110 Piscataway, NJ 08854 Telephone: 732-926-8010

Fax: 732-926-8030

ADVOCACY-EDUCATION

Statewide Parent Advocacy Network (SPAN)

35 Halsey Street, 4th Floor

Newark, NJ 07102

Telephone: (800) 654-7726

(973) 642-8100 Fax: (973) 642-8080

Northern Regional Office: (201) 343-2009 Southern Regional Office: (856) 767-7774 x5

www.spannj.org

ADVOCACY-ESTATE PLANNING

Planned Lifetime Assistance Network of

New Jersey PO Box 547 Loeser Ave.

Somerville, NJ 08876 Telephone: (908) 575-8300

Fax: (908) 927-9010

Special Needs Advocates for Parents (SNAP)

30A Veerland Road Suite 130 Florham Park, NJ 07932 Telephone: (973) 236-9887 Fax: (973) 236-9874

www.snapinfo.org

ADVOCACY-FAMILY SUPPORT

Family Support Center Epilepsy Foundation of New Jersey 35 Beaveston Boulevard, Suite 8C

Brick, NJ 08723

Telephone: (800) FSC-NJ10 Fax: (732) 974-0940

www.familysupportnj.com

Mount Laurel Center for the Family Ramblewood Center, Suite 12

1155 Route 73

Mount Laurel, NJ 08054 Telephone: (856) 722-9772

ADVOCACY-INFORMATION/RESEARCH

Eastern Paralyzed Veterans Association

75-20 Astoria Boulevard

Jackson Heights, NY 11370-1177 Telephone: (718) 803-3782

www.epva.org

ADVOCACY- LEGAL SERVICES

American Civil Liberties Union 35 Halsey Street Suite 4B

Newark, NJ 07102

Telephone: (973) 642-2084

www.aclu-nj.org

Community Health Law Project

185 Valley Street

South Orange, NJ 07079 Telephone: (973) 275-1175

Fax: (973) 275-5210 TDD: (973) 275-1721

BRANCH OFFICES

Community Health Law Project 650 Bloomfield Avenue Suite 210

Bloomfield, NJ 07003 Telephone: (973) 680-5599 Fax: (973) 680-1488

Fax: (973) 680-1488 TDD: (973) 680-1116

Community Health Law Project

225 East State Street Trenton, NJ 08608

Telephone: (609) 392-5553 Fax:/TDD: (609) 392-5369

Community Health Law Project 65 Jefferson Avenue, Elizabeth, NJ 07201

Telephone: (908) 355-8282

Fax: (908) 355-3724 TDD: (908) 355-3369

Community Health Law Project Station House Office Building 900 Haddon Avenue Suite 400 Collingswood, NJ 08108

Telephone/TDD: (856) 858-9500

Fax: (856) 858-9545

Legal Aid Society 198 West State Street Trenton, NJ 08608

Telephone: (609) 695-6249 Fax: (609) 392-7952

www.isnj.org

New Jersev State Bar Association

One Constitution Square New Brunswick, NJ 08901 Telephone: (732) 249-5000

Fax: (732) 249 2815

New Jersey Protection and Advocacy, Inc.

210 South Broad Street, 3rd Floor

Trenton, NJ 08608

Telephone: (800) 922-7233

(609) 292-9742

Fax: (609) 777-0187 www.njpanda.org

see page 4

Legal Services of New Jersey

PO Box 1357 Edison, NJ 08818

Telephone: (732) 572-9100

ADVOCACY-SUPPORT GROUPS

New Jersey Self-Help Clearinghouse 100 East Hanover Ave 2nd Floor

Cedar Knolls, NJ 07927 Telephone: (800) 367-6274 Fax: (973) 326-9467

www.njshc.org

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PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS

Association of Schools and Agencies for the Handicapped 2125 Route 33 Hamilton Square, NJ 08690 Telephone: (609) 890-1400

Fax: (609) 890-8860

www.asah.org

New Jersey Association of Community Providers,

Inc.

32 Ford Avenue, Suite 2 Milltown, NJ 08850

Telephone: (732) 246-8333 Fax: (732) 246-2818 New Jersey Association of Rehabilitation Facilities and CNA Services

150 West State Street, Suite 120

Trenton, NJ 08608

Telephone: (609) 392-1255 Fax: (609) 392-3236

SERVICE ANIMALS

Canine Companions for Independence P.O. Box 205 Farmingdale, NY 11735

Telephone/TDD: (631) 694-6938

www.caninecompanions.org

Canine Partners for Life P.O. Box 170

Cochranville, PA 19330 Telephone: (610) 869-4902

Fax: (610) 869-9785 www.k94life.org/

Independence Dogs, Inc. 146 State Line Road Chadds Ford, PA 19317 Telephone: (610) 358-2723 www.independencedogs.org

Seeing Eye, Inc. P.O. Box 375

Morristown, NJ 07963-0375 Telephone: (973) 539-4425

Fax: (973) 539-0922 www.seeingeye.org

RECREATION

SPORTS AND TRAINING

New Jersey Special Olympics 201 Rockingham Row Princeton, NJ 08540 Telephone: (800) 336-6576 Fax: (609) 734-0911 www.njso.org

New Jersey Tournament of Champions 466 Ely Harmony Road Freehold, NJ 07728 Telephone: (732) 462-7945

Fax: (732) 409-3612

New Jersey Wheelchair Athletic Association 30 Payne Road, Lebanon, NJ 08833

Telephone: (908) 735-6638

ARTS PROGRAMS

Very Special Arts New Jersey 703 Jersey Avenue New Brunswick, NJ 08901 Telephone: (732) 745-3885 Fax: (732) 745-4524

www.vsanj.org

For local recreation resources, call the Division of Disability
Services at

888-285-3036

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TECHNOLOGY

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Assistive technology is the use of technology to improve the quality of life for individuals with disabilities through devices or equipment.

The Assistive Technology Advocacy Center, (ATAC), is an assistive technology program funded by a grant from the United States Department of Education, through the National Institute of Disability Rehabilitation and Research. In New Jersey, ATAC is administered by New Jersey Protection and Advocacy, Inc. The mission of the program is to increase the awareness of and access to assistive technology for people throughout New Jersey. Information about existing assistive technology services and devices is provided to people of all ages and/or disabilities.

"BACK IN ACTION" ASSISTIVE DEVICES RECYCLING CENTER

Telephone: (800) 554-2626 TTY: (908) 234-1227

NEW JERSEY PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY

Telephone: (800) 922-7233

TTY: (609) 633-7106 (also on page 21)

www.njpanda.org

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY ADVOCACY CENTER (ATAC)

CN 938, 210 S. Broad St. Trenton, NJ 08608

Telephone: (800) DIAL-TEC TDD: (800) D-TARP-NJ Fax: 609-292-8347

www.njpanda.org

NEW JERSEY COALITION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF REHABILITATION TECHNOLOGY (NJ-CART)

UCPA/NJ, 354 South Broad Street

Trenton, NJ 08608

Telephone: (609) 392-4004 TDD: (609) 392-7044 Fax: (609) 392-350

TECH-NJ

College of New Jersey Dept. of Special Education

PO Box 7718

Ewing, NJ 08628-0718 Telephone: (609) 771-2308 www.trenton.edu/~technj

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NATIONAL RESOURCES

Many national organizations can offer assistance to people with disabilities and their families. Here are some telephone numbers, hotlines, and web sites for additional resources.

Ability OnLine Support Network (416) 650-6207

http://www.ablelink.org

American Association on Mental Retardation (800) 424-3688

www.aamr.org

American Cancer Society (800) ACS-2345 www.cancer.org

American Foundation for the Blind (800) 232-5463 http://www.afb.org Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Association (800) 782-4747

http://www.alsa.org

The Arc (800) 433-5255

http://www.thearc.org

Brain Injury Association Family Helpline (800) 444-6443

http://www.biausa.org

Center for Rehabilitation Technology

(800) 726-9119

http://www.arch.gatech.edu/crt/

Chronic Fatigue and Immune Dysfunction Syndrome Association of America (800) 442-3437 www.cfids.org

Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder (CHADD) (800) 233-4050 www.chadd.org

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation (800) 344-4823 www.cff.org

Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund (202) 986-0375 www.dredf.org

Easter Seal National Headquarters (800) 221-6827 www.easter-seals.org

Epilepsy Foundation of America (800) 332-1000 www.efa.org

Higher Education & Adult Training for People with Handicaps Resource Center (800) 544-3284 www.heath.heath.gwu.edu

Job Accommodation Network (800) 526-7245 www.jan.wvu.edu

Leaning Disabilities Association (412) 341-1515 www.ldanatl.org

Little People of America, Inc (888) LPA-2001 www.lpaonline.org

Muscular Dystrophy Association (877) 572-1717 www.mdausa.org

National Accessible Apartment Clearinghouse (800) 421-1221 www.aptsforrent.com/naac

National Association of the Deaf (301) 587-1789 www.nad.org

National Association for Parents of the Visually Impaired (800) 562-6265 www.napvi.org National Association of People with AIDS (202) 898-0414 www.napwa.org

National Autism Hotline (304) 525-8014 www.autismservices.com

National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Inc. (800) NCA-CALL www.ncadd.org

National Down's Syndrome Society (800) 221-4602 www.ndss.org

National Fragile X Foundation (800) 688-8765 www.fragilex.org

Center for Housing and New Community Economics (800) 220-8770 www.alliance.unh.edu

National Information Center for Children & Youth With Disabilities (NICHCY) (800) 695-0285 www.nichcy.org

National Library Services for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (202) 707-5100 www.loc.gov/nls/nls.html

National Mental Health Association Resource Center (800) 969-6642

National Multiple Sclerosis Society (800) 344-4867 www.nmss.org

National Organization for Rare Disorders (800) 999-6673 www.rarediseases.org

National Spinal Cord Injury Association (800) 962-9629 www.spinalcord.org

Paralyzed Veterans of America (800) 424-8200 www.pva.org

Office of Disability Employment and Policy (ODEP) (202) 376-6200 www.dol.gov/dol/odep

Society for Disability Studies (312) 996-4664 www.uic.edu/orgs/sds/

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LIBRARY RESOURCES

Library for the Blind and Handicapped PO Box 501 2300 Stuyvesant Avenue Trenton, NJ 08625

Telephone: (800) 792-8322

(609) 530-4000 Fax: (609) 530-6384

www.njstatelib.org

Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic (RFB&D)

20 Roszel Road Princeton, NJ 08540

Telephone: (800) 221-4792

Fax: (609) 987-8116

www.rfbd.org

New Jersey State Library PO Box 520 185 West State Street Trenton, NJ 08625 Telephone: (609) 292-6220

Fax: (609) 292-2746 www.njstatelib.org

RIGHTS AND LAWS

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

Full text available:

http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/20/1400.html

Federal law mandating that all children, regardless of disability, are entitled to a free, appropriate education, without extra cost and in the least restrictive and segregated environment possible.

The Rehabilitation Act of 1973

Full text available:

www.bu.edu/sarpsych/reasaccom/whatlaws-rehaba.html

Federal law which mandates all federal government agencies, and agencies with federal government contracts, to take affirmative action to employ people with disabilities. It also protects otherwise qualified people with disabilities from being denied services or benefits from a program receiving federal money.

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

Full text available: http://janweb.icdi.wvu.edu/kinder/ Federal civil rights law which guarantees individuals with disabilities equal opportunity in employment, public accommodations, state and local government services, transportation, and telecommunications.

The Developmentally Disabled Rights Act

Federal law mandating that an individual with a developmental disability has a right to appropriate treatment for his or her disability, and that that treatment should be designed to maximize the individual's potential.

The Fair Housing Act

www.hud.gov./fairhousing

Federal law which prohibits discrimination in the sale or rental of houses and apartments. It is also discriminatory to refuse to allow the modification of a home to provide physical access.

The Motorized Wheelchair Lemon Law

Full text available:

http://www.state.nj.us/lps/ca/brief/wheel.htm

The Wheelchair Lemon Law requires manufacturers to give customers warranties of at least one year that cover defects which impair the use, value or safety of the chair or scooter. After three unsuccessful attempts at repairing the same problem with the wheelchair or motorized scooter or if the wheelchair or motorized scooter is out of service for a total of twenty days, the customer may be entitled to a replacement, refund, or early lease termination, minus a reasonable allowance for use.

New Jersey Handicapped Parking Laws

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The Snow Removal Act

Full text available:

www.njleg.state.nj.us/9899/Bills/pl99/182 .htm

In a public parking area, the person who owns or controls the area shall be responsible for assuring that the restricted spaces remain free from obstruction. This includes shopping carts and other debris. Ice and snow must be removed within 48 hours after the weather condition has ceased.

The Work Incentives Improvement Act

Full text available: www.ssa.gov/

The President signed the Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999 on December 17. This new law increases beneficiary choice in obtaining rehabilitation and vocational services: removes barriers that require people with disabilities to choose between health care coverage and work; and assures that more Americans with disabilities have the opportunity to participate in the workforce and lessen their dependence on public benefits.

LEGAL ASSISTANCE.

Civil Rights

The Division on Civil Rights, within the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, is responsible for investigating allegations of discrimination and for seeking resolution through conciliation, hearings or court orders. People with disabilities can file a complaint by calling any of the division's enforcement branches.

The Division on Civil Rights

383 West State Street, PO Box 090 Trenton, NJ 08625-0090 Telephone: (609) 292-4605 www.state.nj.us/lps/dcr

ADA INFORMATION SERVICES

The following telephone numbers and Internet and electronic bulletin board addresses of federal agencies and other organizations provide information about the Americans with Disabilities Act, as well as informal guidance in understanding and complying with different provisions of the ADA.

Department of Justice

ADA Information Line for documents, Questions and

referrals: (800) 514-0301

Electronic Bulletin Board: (202) 514-6193

TDD: (800) 514-0383

http://www.usdoj.gov/crt/ada/adahom1.htm

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

Questions: (800) 669-4000 Documents: (800) 669-3362

TDD: 800-800-3302 http://www.eeoc.gov

Federal Communications Commission

Relay service-documents (202) 857-3800 Relay service-question (202) 418-1898 http://www.fcc.gov/dtf/dtfhome.html

Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board

Documents and questions: (800) 872-2253

TDD: (800) 993-2822

Electronic bulletin board: (202) 272-5448

http://www.access-board.gov/

INFORMATION ON OTHER LAWS OF INTEREST

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 1990

Office of Special Education Programs,

U.S. Department of Education: (202) 205-5507

Fair Housing Act of 1988

HUD Distribution Center-(800)767-7468 http://www.hud.gov/fairhousing

Rehabilitation Act of 1973

Disability Rights Section, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice:

(800) 514-0301

http://www.usdoj.gov/crt/ada/adahoml.htm

ADA TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER

Telephone (800) 949-4232

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HEALTH CARE

This section describes health care resources for eligible children and adults with disabilities, as well as federal and state health care assistance programs.

SPECIAL CHILD, ADULT AND EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES

Special Child, Adult and Early Intervention Services (SCAEIS) is a comprehensive program, within the Department of Health and Senior Services, designed to provide a network of services to meet the health needs of children age birth to 21 years, with developmental delays, chronic illness, and/or handicapping conditions. SCAEIS receives state, county and federal funds under Title V of the Social Security Act. The agency provides funds to a variety of medical facilities for outpatient prevention, identification and treatment services for children with disabling or potentially disabling conditions. Agencies receiving funds form SCAEIS are required to apply a sliding fee scale for most children who are not covered by any third-party payers. County Case Management Units operate statewide, and case management services are available at no charge. The Case Management Units also serve as the single point of entry for Early Intervention Services.

SPECIAL CHILD, ADULT AND EARLY INTERVENTION COUNTY CASE MANAGEMENT UNITS

COUNTY CASE MANAGEMENT UNITS			
(609) 645-7700	x4358		
(201) 599-6153			
(609) 267-1950	x42882		
(856) 374-6021	(child only)		
(609) 465-6824			
(856) 453-2154	(child only)		
(973) 857-4663			
(856) 262-4100	x4157		
(201) 915-2514	(child only)		
(908) 788-6398			
(609) 730-4151	(child only)		
(732) 745-3100			
(732) 224-6950	(child only)		
(973) 971-4155			
(732) 341-9700	x7620		
(973) 523-6778	(child only)		
(856) 935-7510	x8479		
(908) 725-2366	(child only)		
(973) 948-5400	x62		
(908) 889-0950			
(908) 689-6000	x258		
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(*child only helps people under the age of 21)

FAMILY HIV CARE CENTERS:

Bagnoud Center (973) 972-0400

Newark Beth Israel Medical Center (973) 926-8004

Jersey City Medical Center (201) 915-2668

St. Joseph's Hospital & Medical Center (973) 754-4713

Robert Wood Johnson Medical School (732) 235-7894

Jersey Shore Medical Center (732) 776-4271

Cooper Hospital (856) 342-2617

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

The Maternal and Child Health and Regional Services Unit supports a regionalized perinatal system and provides epidemiology services based on infant mortality and morbidity surveillance units. Funding and coordination are provided to the Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies Coalitions, the MCH Consortia, and a network of specialized perinatal services for pregnant women at risk. This network includes high-risk obstetric clinics and risk reduction centers.

MATERNAL AND CHILD COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES:

Telephone: (609) 292-5616

NEWBORN BIOCHEMICAL SCREENING PROGRAM:

Telephone: (609) 292-1582

SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION

The purpose of the Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) is to improve the nutritional and health status of eligible pregnant, breast-feeding and postpartum women, infants and children. Pregnant, breast-feeding and postpartum women, infants and children from fami-

lies with inadequate income are at special risk in respect to their physical and mental health. Poor nutrition and inadequate preventive health care are the predominant factors contributing to these increased risks.

Eligible participants receive supplemental foods containing nutrients, as determined by scientific nutritional research, to be absent or at minimum levels in their diets. Nutrition education is the cornerstone of the program. Participants receive both individual and peer-counseling sessions designed to improve their health status and habits.

Public or private nonprofit health agencies, county and municipal health departments, hospitals, county welfare and social services organizations that can provide clinical services, and community action programs that can provide or contract for clinical services are eligible.

FOR LOCAL WIC AGENCIES:

(800) 328-3838

BREAST-FEEDING SUPPORT SERVICES

LaLeche League of New Jersey 609-347-8900

PHARMACEUTICAL ASSISTANCE

The Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (PAAD) program, in the Department of Health and Senior Services, provides financial assistance for prescription medicines and certain pharmacy items. Apply through your county's Office on Aging, your local pharmacy or the PAAD office.

PAAD Program Office: (800) 792-9745

PHARMACEUTICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (PAP)

Many pharmaceutical companies have programs to assist consumers who have limited income and who are without health insurance which covers the cost of medications. For specific information about PAP, please contact the New Jersey Division of Disability Services.

Division of Disability Services

(888) 285-3036

MEDICARE

General Inquires

(800) 633-4227 (877) 486-2048 TDD www.medicare.gov

Medicare is a health insurance program, administered by the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), for people 65 years of age or older, certain younger people with disabilities, and people with End-Stage Renal Disease.

Medicare services are divided into two types; Part A and Part B. Part A helps to pay for care in hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, and hospice care. Part B helps pay for doctors, outpatient hospital care, and some other services not covered under Part A. Please direct specific questions to your carrier.

MEDICARE CONTACTS

Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

26 Federal Plaza Room 3800 New York, NY 10278 Telephone: (212) 264-3657

FAX: (212) 264-2665

www.hcfa.gov

NEW JERSEY CARRIERS AND PARTNERS

Peer Review Organization (PRO-NJ)

(800) 624-4557 (732) 238-5570

TDD: (800) 792-9745 SAP: (800) 624-4557

Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier (DMERC) Blue Cross Blue Shield of Western New York Region A

Telephone: 800-842-2052 TTY 1-800-842-9519

Part A Fiscal Intermediary- Horizon Blue Cross and Blue Shield

Telephone: 866-641-2007

Part B Carrier- Empire Medical Services

(800) 462-9306 TDD: (800) 992-0165

State Health Insurance and Assistance Program (SHIP) (800) 792-8820 (609) 588-3139

SAP: (800) 792-8820

Regional Home Health Intermediary (RHHI) United Government Services (414) 224-4954

SAP: (800) 213-1682

New Jersey Hospice and Palliative Care Organization (908) 233-0060

NEW JERSEY STATE GOVERNMENT CONTACTS

State Insurance Department (609) 292-5360 State Medical Assistance Office (609) 588-2600 **Long Term Care Ombudsman** (877) 582-6995 (609) 588-3146

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CONTACTS

Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR) (800) 358-9295 www.ahrq.gov

Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDCP)

(770) 488-7150 www.cdc.gov

Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA)

(800) 827-1000 www.va.gov

Health Resources and Services Administration

(HRSA) (800) 400-2742

www.hrsa.dhhs.gov

Office on Civil Rights

(800) 368-1019 (212) 264-3313 TDD: (800) 537-7697 (212) 264-2355 www.dhhs.gov

Office of the Inspector General

(800) 447-8477 TDD: (800) 377-4950

www.hhs.gov/progorg/oig

Railroad Retirement Board

(800) 808-0772 www.rrb.gov

Social Security Administration

(800) 772-1213

www.ssa.gov

MEDICAID

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Telephone: (800) 356-1561 TDD: (800) 356-1561

The New Jersey Medicaid Program, administered by the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, covers certain medical and health care services for individuals who meet established eligibility standards.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE CUSTOMER CENTERS

Atlantic / Cape May / Cumberland Counties (856) 690-5208

Bergen / Passaic Counties (973) 977-4077

Burlington / Mercer Counties (609) 518-3048

Camden / Gloucester / Salem Counties

(856) 614-2870

Essex County (973) 648-2470

Hudson County (201) 217-7100

Hunterdon / Middlesex / Somerset/Union Counties (732) 603-3151

Monmouth County (732) 761-3600

Morris / Sussex / Warren Counties (973) 631-6440

Ocean County (732) 255-0731

MEDICAID HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED **WAIVERS**

Medicaid provides unique services to persons with a variety of disabilities through home and communitybased waiver programs. These include Model Waivers I, II and III for people with severe medical conditions, the AIDS Community Care Alternatives Program (ACCAP) and the Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Waiver for persons 18-65 with an acquired brain injury. Contact the Division of Disability Services for information on services and eligibility requirements.

DIVISION OF DISABILITY SERVICES:

(609) 588-2620 or 1-888-285-3036

ADDITIONAL MEDICAID WAIVER PROGRAMS

The Department of Health and Senior Services administers the Community Care for the Elderly and Disabled Program and the Assisted Living and Alternate Family Care Program for eligible individuals.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES DIVISION OF CONSUMER SUPPORT OFFICE OF WAIVER AND PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION:

Telephone: (609) 588-2903

COMMUNITY CHOICE INITIATIVE

The Community Choice Initiative is designed to select appropriate short-term Medicaid Nursing Facility residents, provide them with choices of community-based alternatives, and coordinate their discharge. This program encourages those individuals capable of living in the community to do so. Consumers are identified, encouraged to consider alternative housing with the necessary support services, and assisted as they make the transition from a nursing facility to community housing.

COMMUNITY CHOICE INITIATIVE

Telephone: 609-631-4911

NJ WorkAbility

Telephone: (888) 285-3036 For more information, see page 1

NEW JERSEY FAMILY CARE

New Jersey Family Care is a special program for people who are not eligible for the traditional Medicaid program, but who cannot afford needed health care. To qualify, a person must meet the disability definition of the Social Security Administration and fall within specific income limits. Applications are through the county board of Social Services.

Familycare

Toll Free Telephone: (800) 701-0720

For a list of the County Board of Social Services, see page 16

MEDICAID WAIVERS AT A GLANCE

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES WAIVERS

0 TBI Waiver **0** Model I Waiver

0 ACCAP Waiver **0** Model II Waiver

O ABC Waiver **O** Model III Waiver

Division of Disability Services: (609) 588-2620 or (888) 285-3036

0 DDD Community Care Waiver

Division of Developmental Disabilities (609) 984-4500

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES

Office of Waiver Program Administration: (609) 588-2903



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME (SSI)

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is a Federal program established for the aged and people with disabilities. The program provides monthly. The federal government administers SSI through the Social Security Administration. People over 65 and people with disabilities, including children, may be eligible for SSI payments, and will receive N.J. Medicaid automatically. Application is made through any Social Security office. Parents or guardians may apply on behalf of children under 18.

SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY INSURANCE (SSDI)

The Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) program pays benefits to disabled workers and their families. To be eligible for SSDI, you must be disabled and must have earned a minimum number of credits from work covered under Social Security. The required number of credits varies depending on your age at the time you became disabled.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION: (800) 772-1213 TDD: (800) 325-0778 www.ssa.gov

CATASTROPHIC ILLNESS IN CHILDREN RELIEF FUND

The Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund was created to provide financial assistance for families whose children have experienced an illness or condition which is not fully covered by a state or federal program, or by insurance, and have unpaid medical bills. Families annually may reapply for assistance.

Families that have lived in New Jersey for at least three months immediately preceding the date of application may be eligible if they have incurred health care expenses that exceed 10 percent of the family's income (plus 15 percent of any income over \$100,000). The child must have been 18 years old or younger when the medical bills were incurred. Please contact the office for program information and an application.

CATASTROPHIC ILLNESS IN CHILDREN RELIEF FUND COMMISSION

PO Box 700, Trenton, NJ 08625-0700 Telephone: (609) 292-0600

Family Information Line: (800) 335-FUND

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EARLY INTERVENTION

Early intervention services receive state and federal funds through Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. The ultimate goal is for children to maximize their potential to lead full, productive lives with their families and within their own communities.

New Jersey's early intervention system is a coordinated effort among the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services, the New Jersey Department of Human Services, the New Jersey Department of Education and the New Jersey Developmental Disabilities Council. A State Interagency Coordinating Council, appointed by the governor, advises and assists the Department of Health and Senior Services as lead agency in the development and implementation of early intervention for infants and toddlers with developmental delays or disabilities, and their families. Services are available to children, birth to 3, in every county.

ELIGIBILITY

Each child's eligibility is determined by a multidisciplinary team, which includes the child's parents. If the child is not eligible for early intervention, recommendations may be made for referral to other appropriate resources. If the child is eligible, as determined by a medical diagnosis or developmental evaluation, an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) to meet the needs of the child and the family will be developed by the team.

CRITERIA

- developmental delay of 25 percent in two or more developmental areas (cognitive; physical, including gross motor, fine motor, vision and hearing; communication, social/emotional or adaptive); or
- developmental delay of 33 percent in one developmental area; or
- a medically diagnosed physical or mental condition that has a high probability of resulting in developmental delay.

ACCESSING SERVICES

The county-based Special Child Health Services' Case Management Units are the single points of entry into the early intervention system. With family consent, anyone may call to make a referral. The case management unit will assign a service coordinator to work with the family. The service coordinator will arrange evaluation for eligibility at no cost to the family.

Please see pages 32 for a list of SCHS Care Management Units

REGIONAL COLLABORATIVES

The Regional Early Intervention Collaboratives (REICs) are independent, non-profit corporations established to provide a community-based, culturally competent and consumer-driven early intervention system. The collaboratives are responsible for conducting assessments to identify regional needs; developing plans to address the needs; understanding and supporting family preferences, needs and quality of life; and actively involving families and community in every aspect of system development. Contact the regional collaboratives for general information about early intervention or if you experience difficulty obtaining services.

REGIONAL EARLY INTERVENTION COLLABORATIVES (REIC)

Southern Regional Early Intervention Collaborative

Winslow Professional Building 339 South Route 73, Suite 6 Berlin, NJ 08009

Telephone: (856) 768-6747

Fax: (856) 768-7608

www.njeis.org

(Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland,

Family Link Regional Early Intervention Collaborative

2333 Morris Avenue, Suite A-20

Union, NJ 07083

Telephone: (908) 964-5303

Fax: (908) 964-6091 www.familylink.org

(Essex, Morris, Sussex, Union and Warren Counties)

Mid-Jersey Cares Regional Early Intervention Collaborative

CNJM&CHC, INC

501 Hoes Lane, Suite 206 Piscataway, NJ 08854 Telephone: (732) 699-0944

Fax: (732) 699-1218 www.cnjmchc.org

(Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean, & Somerset Counties)

Northeast Regional Early Intervention Collaborative

65 Willowbrook Boulevard, 6th Floor

Wayne, NJ 07470

Telephone: (973) 256-8484

Fax: (973) 256-1233

(Bergen, Hudson and Passaic Counties) (Union and

Essex Counties)

Early Intervention System

PO Box 364

Trenton, NJ 08625-0364 Telephone: (609) 777-7734 Fax: (609) 292-0296

Gloucester and Salem Counties)



EDUCATION

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act guarantees children with disabilities, ages 3 to 21, the right to a free, appropriate public education delivered in the least restrictive environment. The New Jersey Department of Education administers state and federally funded aid programs for more than 1.3 million public and private elementary and secondary school children, and is responsible for ensuring that local schools comply with state and federal laws and regulations.

SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The Office of Special Education Programs, under the jurisdiction of the Division of Student Services, is responsible for the provision of special education and related services.

Office of Special Education Programs PO Box 500, 100 Riverview Plaza Trenton, NJ 08625-0500 Telephone: (609) 292-0147

Fax: (609) 984-8422 www.state.nj.us/education

CHILD STUDY TEAMS

A child study team consists of a school psychologist, a learning disability teacher-consultant and a school social worker. For children age 3 to 5, the child study team includes a speech correctionist or speech-language specialist. The child study team, with consent of the child's parents, evaluates the child and determines his or her eligibility for special education services.

Upon completion of the evaluation and prior to placement in special education, an Individualized Education Program, with stated goals and objectives, is written with the participation of the parents. According to New Jersey Administrative Code, a full continuum of alternative placements shall be available to meet the needs of children with educational disabilities.

LEARNING RESOURCE CENTERS

Learning Resource Centers are funded through the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B Funds. The centers provide research reports, curriculum guides, books, videos and audio tapes, as well as training and in-service workshops, for parents and educators of students with disabilities.

Please See List on Page 11

HEAD START

Project Head Start is a Federally funded pre-school program for children. Head Start provides a program of comprehensive developmental services based on the needs of the individual child, the child's family and community. Head Start serves children with disabilities in a mainstream environment.

For Local Head Start Programs:

(800) 336-4848

NEW JERSEY HIGHER EDUCATION STUDENT ASSISTANCE AUTHORITY

HESAA provides New Jersey students and families with the financial and informational resources for students to pursue their education beyond high school.

Telephone: (800) 792-8670

www.hesaa.org



EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

Resources for employment and training vary, depending on the individual's skill level and employability. Services for people with disabilities include vocational evaluation and assessment, training, counseling, education, job placement assistance, supported employment and support for entrepreneurs with disabilities.

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services (DVRS), within the Department of Labor, provides services to individuals of employable age with disabilities through 18 district offices. Eligibility generally is based on the presence of a mental or physical disability that is a handicap to employment, and a reasonable expectation that the division's services will help the individual become employable.

Vocational rehabilitation counselors work with the individuals and their families to develop and carry out a plan for training and placement. If financial need is established, the division will purchase other rehabilitative services from private providers, such as further evaluation or counseling, training at a vocational center or technical school and on-the-job training.

DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES (DVRS)

PO Box 398, 135 East State Street

Trenton, NJ 08625-0398 Telephone: (609) 292-5987 TTY: (609) 292-2919

Fax: (609) 292-8347 www.wnjpin.state.nj.us

DISTRICT OFFICES

DVRS ATLANTIC OFFICE

1125 Atlantic Avenue, 5th Floor Atlantic City, NJ 08401

Telephone: (609) 441-3080 TTY: (609) 441-3037

Fax: (609) 441-3284

DVRS BERGEN OFFICE

60 State Street, 2nd Floor Hackensack, NJ 07601-5471 Telephone: (201) 996-8970 TTY: (201) 487-6348 Fax: (201) 996-8880

DVRS BURLINGTON OFFICE

Route 541, Woodlane Avenue Mount Holly, NJ 08016-4795 Telephone: (609) 387-7600 TTY: (609) 387-1856 Fax: (609) 239-0313

DVRS CAMDEN OFFICE

2600 Mt. Ephraim Avenue, Suite 103 Camden, NJ 08104-3290 Telephone: (856) 614-2500 TTY: (856) 614-2504 Fax: (856) 614-2507

DVRS CAPE MAY OFFICE

3810 New Jersey Avenue Wildwood, NJ 08260 Telephone: (609) 523-0330 Fax: (609) 523-0212

DVRS CUMBERLAND/SALEM OFFICE

40 East Broad Street, Suite 204 Bridgeton, NJ 08302-2881 Telephone: (856) 453-3888 TTY: (856) 453-3923 Fax: (856) 453-3909

DVRS ESSEX OFFICE

124 Halsey Street, PO Box 226 Newark, NJ 07101

Telephone: (973) 648-3494 TTY: (973) 623-2733 Fax: (973) 648-3902

DVRS GLOUCESTER OFFICE

215 Crown Point Road, Suite 200 Thorofare, NJ 08086 Telephone: (856) 384-3730 TTY: (856) 384-3778 Fax: (856) 384-3777

DVRS HUDSON OFFICE

438 Summit Avenue, 6th Floor Jersey City, NJ 07306-3187 Telephone: (201) 217-7180 TTY: (201) 217-7290 FAX: (201) 217-7287

DVRS MERCER OFFICE

28 Yard Avenue, Trenton, NJ 08609-0959 Telephone: (609) 292-2940 TTY: (609) 984-1568 Fax: (609) 984-3553

Labor Station Plaza, PO Box 959

DVRS MIDDLESEX OFFICE

506 Jersey Ave, PO Box 2672 New Brunswick, NJ 08903 Telephone: (732) 937-6300 Fax: (732) 937 6357 TTY: (732) 545-8147

DVRS MONMOUTH OFFICE

60 Taylor Avenue Neptune, NJ 07753-4844 Telephone: (732) 775-1799 TTY: (732) 775-1711 Fax: (732) 775-1666

DVRS MORRIS OFFICE

7 Sussex Avenue, 2nd Floor Morristown, NJ 07960-3886 Telephone: (973) 631-6304 TTY: (973) 539-3665 Fax: (973) 631-6309

DVRS OCEAN OFFICE

1510 Hooper Avenue, Suite 120 Toms River, NJ 08753-2225 Telephone: (732) 255-0836 TTY: (732) 255-0873 Fax: (732) 255-0899

DVRS PASSAIC OFFICE

370 Broadway Paterson, NJ 07501-2195 Telephone: (973) 977-4285 TTY: (973) 977-4297 Fax: (973) 279-5895

DVRS SOMERSET/HUNTERDON OFFICE

Suite 101 Somerville, NJ 08876-2952 Telephone: (908) 704-3030 TTY: (908) 545-8147 Fax: (908) 704-3476

75 Veterans Memorial Drive,

DVRS SUSSEX/WARREN OFFICE

223 Stiger Street, Suite A Hackettstown, NJ 07840-1217 Telephone: (908) 852-4110 TTY: (908) 852-0213 Fax: (908) 813-9745

DVRS UNION OFFICE

65 Jefferson Avenue, 4th Floor Elizabeth, NJ 07201-2306 Telephone: (908) 820-3112 TTY: (908) 820-3132 Fax: (908) 965-2976

CBVI OFFICES

For a list of Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired offices go to page 6

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARDS

The Workforce Investment Boards are responsible for determining what employment services are to be provided to and who will be responsible for providing services to dislocated workers, disadvantaged people, and youths. Additionally, Workforce Investment Boards play a critical role in the integration of comprehensive seamless one-stop service delivery to all local employment and training services.

Atlantic/Cape May Counties Gloucester County Morris/Sussex/Warren Counties

609-343-2345 856-384-6970 973-829-8662

Bergen County Hunterdon/Somerset Counties Ocean County

201-752-4003 908-526-1200 x8821 732-506-5312 or 5374

 Burlington County
 Hudson County
 Passaic County

 609-265-5603
 201-271-4555
 973-340-3400 x7104

Camden County Mercer County Union County 856-414-0044 609-989-6827 908-558-2567

Cumberland/Salem Counties Middlesex County 856-451-2613 732-745-3601

Essex County Monmouth County 973-395-8681 732-747-2282 x21

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) has established significant legal protections for people with disabilities in the workforce, as well as those seeking employment. The law requires employers to make reasonable accommodations for qualified workers with disabilities, including changing the job or the workplace itself, or considering assistive devices to help an individual perform the job.

The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) issued the regulations that interpret the ADA's requirements and has responsibility for investigating discrimination in the workplace.

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)

Telephone: (973) 645-6385

TICKET TO WORK AND WORK INCENTIVES IMPROVEMENT ACT

Social Security Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) disability beneficiaries will receive a "Ticket" they may be able to obtain vocational rehabilitation (VR), employment or other support services from an approved provider of their choice. The Ticket program is voluntary. The law includes several enhancements to Medicaid and Medicare.

The law also created a new Medicaid buy-in project to provide medical assistance to workers with impairments who are able to work. The law also extends Medicare coverage for people with disabilities who return to work.

For Information on Ticket to Work Call (866) 871-7867

SELF-EMPLOYMENT

The New Jersey Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services has developed a common policy and regulations regarding self-employment as a work option for people with disabilities. Individuals with an interest in becoming self-employed should present this option to their vocational rehabilitation counselor. If a solid business plan is put together, there may be capital investment available for a variety of start-up needs.

Eligible clients of the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired can obtain capital to start and manage businesses through the Commission's Business Enterprise Program. Support primarily consists of training in business management and assistance in establishing vending locations. However, assistance for other business venture is possible. A solid business plan is required.

Self-Employment Initiative Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services:

Telephone: (609) 292-5987 Fax: (609) 292-8347

SMALL BUSINESSES

The Disability Enterprise Program offers second-tier loans for small businesses owned by persons with a disability, businesses that are targeting employment for people with a disability and nonprofit corporations starting for-profit operations. Collateral is usually required. Assistance in preparing the application is provided.

The Disability Enterprise Program New Jersey Community Loan Fund:

Telephone: (609) 989-7766 Fax: (609) 393-9016

PLAN TO ACHIEVE SELF-SUPPORT (PASS)

The Social Security Administration has adopted a series of work incentives with a Plan to Achieve Self-Support (PASS), including the retention of benefits while starting a business. Individuals receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) may be able to acquire additional capital for small business start-up through a PASS. A business plan is required. Contact a PASS specialist at your local social security office.

PASS Proposals Social Security Administration: Telephone: (800) 772-1213 TDD (800) 325-0778

www.ssa.gov

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Assistance for entrepreneurs with disabilities is available in the form of financing, business plan preparation, marketing assistance, PASS assistance or general help in locating information or resources for business start-up or expansion.

Division for Small, Women's and Minority Business, New Jersey Department of Commerce and Economic Development

Telephone: (609) 984-9834

Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE)

Telephone: (609) 520-1776 Fax: (609) 520-9107

www.nj-score.org

Small Business Development Centers Rutgers Graduate School of Management:

Telephone: (973) 353-5950

http://business.rutgers.edu/centers/index.html

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HOUSING

HOUSING PROGRAMS

The New Jersey Department of Community affairs administers the federal Section 8 voucher program and a variety of housing programs for low-income families, women, persons with disabilities and aged persons. Services include rental assistance, including the federal, and emergency shelter grants and homelessness prevention. The department also administers the Community Services Block Grant and Weatherization programs, as well as the Handicapped Person Recreational Opportunity Grants.

The Division of Housing and Community Resources contains elements that administer programs of rental assistance, housing rehabilitation, relocation assistance, family self-sufficiency, emergency shelter grants and homelessness prevention.

The division assists local groups to sponsor low- and moderate-income housing, through programs that preserve, rehabilitate and expand the housing supply for low and moderate income families.

The division also provides administrative grants to nonprofit organizations that are involved in the production of affordable housing. In addition, the division runs a fellowship program through which graduate students in architecture and engineering work with nonprofit housing agencies.

DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Family Self-Sufficiency Program, Transitional Housing Program (609) 984-1614

Housing Assistance (609) 633-6150

Homelessness Prevention Program (609) 633-6204

Homeless Shelter Program (609) 633-6251

Section 8 Housing Voucher Program (609) 633-6151

PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITIES

Asbury Park Housing Authority	732-774-2660
Atlantic City Housing Authority	609-344-1107
Bayonne Housing Authority	
Belmar Housing Authority	
Bergen County Housing Authority	
Berkeley Housing Authority	
Beverly Housing Authority	609-387-0250
Bloomfield Township Ha	973-680-4035
Boontown Housing Authority	973-335-0846
Brick Housing Authority	
Bridgeton Housing Authority	
Buena Housing Authority	009-097-4832
Burlington County Housing	
Authority	
Camden Housing Authority	609-968-2700
Cape May City Housing	
Authority	609-884-9549
Cape May Housing Authority	
Carteret Housing Authority	
Cherry Hill Housing Authority	
Clementon Housing Authority	
Cliffside Park Housing Authority	201-941-0655
Clifton Housing Authority	973-470-5263
Collingswood Housing Authority	609-854-1077
Dover Housing Authority	
East Orange Housing Authority	
Edgewater Housing Authority	
Edison Housing Authority	
Elizabeth Housing Authority	
Englewood Housing Authority	201-871-3451
Florence Housing Authority	609-455-0575
Fort Lee Housing Authority	
Franklin Housing Authority	
Franklin Township Housing	
Authority	/32-343-9430
Freehold Housing Authority	
Garfield Housing Authority	
Glassboro Housing Authority	609-881-5211
Gloucester City Housing	
Authority	609-456-5772
Gloucester County Housing	
Authority	600 845 4050
Guttenberg Housing Authority	
Hackensack Housing Authority	
Haddon Housing Authority	
Hamilton Township Ha	609-890-3683
Harrison Housing Authority	
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Highland Park Housing	
Authority	732-572-4420
Highlands Housing Authority	
Hightstown Housing Authority	
Hoboken Housing Authority	
Hunterdon County Housing	201 770 0570
Authority	908-788-1336
Irvington Housing Authority	
Jersey City Housing Authority	
Keansburg Housing Authority	
Lakewood Housing Authority	
Lakewood Township Housing	/32 304 1300
Authority	732-367-0660
Linden-City	
Linden Housing Authority	
Lodi Housing Authority	
Long Branch Housing Authority	
Madison Housing Authority	
Manville Housing Authority	
Middlesex County	
Middletown Housing Authority	
Millville Housing Authority	
Monmouth County Housing	007-623-6600
Agency	722 421 6027
Montclair Housing Authority	
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Morris County Housing Authority	072 540 0290
Morristown Housing Authority	973-338-0343
NJ Housing and Mortgage	600 279 7400
Finance Agency	009-2/8-/400
Nontuna Hauguna Authomity	722 774 7602
Neptune Housing Authority	732-774-7692
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Salem Housing Authority	609-935-5022
Sayerville Housing Authority	732-721-8044
Sea Isle City Housing Authority	609-263-4461
Secaucus Housing Authority	201-867-2957
Somerville Housing Authority	908-725-2300
South Amboy Housing Authority	732-721-1831
State of New Jersey - Wildwood	609-633-6150
State of NJ Dept. of Community	
Affairs	609-633-6150
Summit Housing Authority	908-273-6413
Trenton Housing Authority	609-278-5042
Union City Housing Authority	201-864-1515
Union County Housing Authority	
Union Township Housing	
Authority	908-964-5733
Vineland Housing Authority	
Warren County Housing	
Authority	908-475-3989
Weehawken Housing Authority	201-348-4188
West New York Housing	
Authority	201-868-6100
West Orange Housing Authority	973-325-4110
Wildwood Housing Authority	609-729-0220
Woodbridge Housing Authority	732-634-2750

NEW JERSEY HOUSING AND MORTGAGE FINANCE AGENCY (NJHMFA)

The main goal of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency is to encourage the production of affordable housing for all New Jersey citizens. Its Community Development Division administers several programs targeted to people with special needs. For information about low-income or special needs home ownership programs, call the NJHMFA.

Telephone: 800-NJ-HOUSE (800-654-6873)



PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES

The Personal Assistance Services Program (PASP), administered by the Division of Disability Services within the Department of Human Services, provides assistance with daily living to people with physical disabilities in the community. Personal attendants provide non-medical assistance, such as bathing, dressing, wheelchair transfer, meal preparation, shopping, laundry, household management and transportation. New Jerseyians with physical disabilities, ages 18 to 65, apply for the PASP Program at the county level.

PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES PROGRAM (PASP)

Division of Disability Services

Telephone: (888) 285-3036 or (609) 292-7800

COUNTY PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES PROGRAM COORDINATORS

Atlantic County	(609) 645-7700
Bergen County	(201) 646-2641
Burlington County	(609) 265-5223
Camden County	(856) 225-5230
Cape May	(609) 886-6200
Cumberland County	(856) 825-8707
Essex County	(973) 228-8230
Gloucester County	(856) 384-6980
Hudson County	(201) 339-2500
Hunterdon County	(908) 788-1300

Mercer County	(609) 989-6459
Middlesex County	
Monmouth County	(732) 571-6232
Morris County	(973) 285-6865
Ocean County	(732) 349-1500
Passaic County	
Salem County	
Somerset County	
Sussex County	(908) 813-8292
Union County	(908) 527-4845
Warren County	

MEDICAID PERSONAL CARE ASSISTANCE (PCA)

Personal Care Assistance (PCA) is a statewide service provided by the New Jersey Medicaid Program to people eligible for Medicaid services in the community. The purpose of personal care is to accommodate long-term chronic or maintenance health care as opposed to short-term skilled care as is provided under Medicaid's home health program. PCA services are health-related tasks done by qualified staff in a medically eligible beneficiary's home. They include assistance with activities of daily living and household duties essential to the patient's health and comfort.

For Information contact the Division of Disability Services 609-588-2620

TRANSPORTATION

NEW JERSEY TRANSIT

New Jersey Transit provides commuter services through more than 150 bus routes and 11 rail lines in New Jersey and into New York and Pennsylvania. Lift-equipped and kneeling buses, as well as accessible rail stations, are important elements of New Jersey Transit's services to people with disabilities. Access Link is a service for those who are not able to use a regular fixed-route bus.

New Jersey Transit also provides a reduced fare program for senior citizens and people with disabilities.

New Jersey Transit Office of Special Services

One Penn Plaza East Newark, NJ 07105 Telephone:

www.njtransit.state.nj.us

Customer Service: (800) 772-3606 Transportation Information Center: In Northern New Jersey: (800) 772-2222 In Southern New Jersey: (800) 582-5946

TTY: (800) 772-2287

ACCESS LINK

Access Link is NJ Transit's paratransit service required by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Access Link provides people with disabilities paratransit service comparable to the local bus service. This service is specifically for people whose disability prevents them from using existing local bus service.

Access Link: (800) 955-ADA1

REDUCED FARE PROGRAM:

Special rates are available for senior citizens 62 years of age or older and people with disabilities. Personal assistants ride for free when proper identification is presented by the person with a disability. You don't need to be a New Jersey resident to be eligible for the program. You can ride on NJ TRANSIT buses and trains at the reduced rate. Many private bus companies operating in the state also participate in the program.

Senior citizens 62 to 64 years of age may ride for less during off-peak hours: Weekdays, on buses and trains scheduled to depart between 9:30 AM and 4:00 PM and between 7:00 PM and 6:00 AM. All day Saturdays, Sundays and state holidays.

As of January 1, 2000, senior citizens age 65 and above and people with disabilities may take advantage of the reduced fare at any time on buses and all

trains except those AM peak departures that are shaded in the timetable.

Reduced Fare Program: (973) 378-6401

OUT OF STATE ACCESSIBLE TRANSIT SERVICES

SEPTA-Pennsylvania

Customer Services: (215) 580-7145

TDD: (215) 580-7712

Customized Community Services

(215) 580-3455 www.septa.com

MTA-New York

Access-A-Ride: (877) 337-2017

TDD: (718) 596-8273

http://www.mta.nyc.ny.us/mta/ada.htm

COUNTY PARA-TRANSPORTATION

The following contacts are resources for current information on local transportation services, including hours of operation, reservation procedures, fees (if any), priorities for services, consumer representation on advisory committees, etc.

COUNTY PARA-TRANSIT CONTACTS

Atlantic County	.(609)	645-5910
Bergen County		
Burlington County		
Camden County	.(856)	456-1121
Cape May County	.(609)	889-3700
Cumberland County	.(856)	691-7799
Essex County		
Gloucester County		
Hudson County	.(201)	271-4307
Hunterdon County		
Mercer County		
Middlesex County		
Monmouth County		
Morris County	.(973)	829-8101
Ocean County	.(732)	736-8989
Passaic County		
Salem County		
Somerset County	.(908)	231-7115
Sussex County	.(973)	579-0480
Union County	.(908)	241-8300
Warren County		

AMTRAK OFFICE OF SPECIAL SERVICES

Telephone: 800-USA-RAIL (800-872-7245)

TDD/TTY: 800-523-6590

www.amtrak.com



APPENDIX 1: NEW JERSEY HANDICAPPED PARKING LAWS

P.L.1989 C.200 & C.201

Enables law enforcement officers to enforce restrictions in properly marked handicapped spaces on both Public and Private property.

Mandated \$100 fine for the first offense of parking in a restricted space without special identification. For subsequent offenses, a fine of at least \$100 and up to 90 days of community service.

No penalty shall be imposed for overtime parking on any vehicle which had either a placard or wheelchair symbol license plates, unless the vehicle has been parked in the same location for more then 24 hours. This shall apply when the placard or plated is used by either the driver or passenger in of the vehicle.

USE OF HANDICAPPED PARKING PLACARD OR PLATES

Handicapped Parking Placards or Plates may be used by

• Drivers with disabilities who meet the criteria below

 Non-disabled drivers who are transporting persons who meet the criteria below

QUALIFICATIONS FOR A HANDICAPPED PARKING PLACARD OR PLATES

To qualify for a placard or plates, you must:

- Have lost the use of one or more limb
- Be permanently disabled and be unable to move without the use of an assistive devise
- Have your mobility limited as certified by a physician

DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICES

Telephone (609) 292-6500

APPENDIX 2: SPECIAL NEEDS ADOPTION

NEW JERSEY SUBSIDIZED ADOPTION PROGRAM

Many children are waiting for loving homes. The NJ Subsidized Adoption Program offers financial assistance to suitable prospective adoptive parents who seek to adopt certain children.

CHILDREN WAITING FOR ADOPTION:

- Are older, or of a race or ethnic group for which adoptive homes are not readily available;
- May have a significant disability
- May need medical treatment or special services, equipment or training;
- May be part of a group of siblings who should be kept together;
- May be over five years old, living with a foster family for at least 12 months.

SUBSIDIES TO ADOPTIVE FAMILIES:

- A monthly payment which to help parents meet daily expenses for the child until the age of 18
- Payment covering the legal fees related to the adoption.

- Medicaid coverage for the child to assist with any condition that is not covered by the family's insurance.
- A special subsidy for a specific medical, health or equipment need

REQUIREMENTS OF ADOPTIVE FAMILIES

- Be at least 18 years old and 10 year older then the child to be adopted
- Be able to raise the child in a moral environment
- Be a New Jersey resident, or reside in a state with a cooperative agreement
- Be in good physical health, and able to provide for the child's day to day needs
- Be financially able to support the needs and care of the adopted child

For Information 1-800-99 ADOPT

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APPENDIX 3: PEOPLE FIRST LANGUAGE

Every person is made up of many characteristicsmental as well as physical and few want to be identified only by their ability to play tennis or by their love for fried onions or by the mole that's on their face. Those are just parts of us.

In speaking or writing, remember that children or adults with disabilities are like everyone else except they happen to have a disability. Therefore, here are a few tips for improving your language related to disabilities

- Emphasize abilities, not limitations
- Do not label people as part of a disability group don't say "the disabled", say "people with disabilities."

- Don't give excessive praise or attention to a person with a disability; don't patronize them.
- Choice and independence are important; let the person do or speak for him/herself as much as possible; if addressing an adult, say Bill instead of Billy.
- A disability is a functional limitation that interferes with a person's ability to walk, hear, talk, learn, etc; use handicap to describe a situation or barrier imposed by society, the environment or oneself.

It's the "Person First"
Then the Disability

Instead of... Say... child with a disability disabled or handicapped person person with Cerebral Palsy palsied, or C.P., or spastic person who is deaf or hard of hearing deaf and dumb person with mental retardation retarded person with epilepsy or person with seizure disorder epileptic person who had... afflicted, suffers from, victim mute, or dumb without speech, nonverbal developmental delay slow emotional disorder, or mental illness crazy or insane uses a wheelchair confined to a wheelchair with Down syndrome Mongoloid has a learning disability is learning disabled non-disabled normal, healthy has a physical disability crippled birth defect congenital disability disease condition seizures fits cleft lip hare lip mobility impaired lame medically involved, or has chronic illness sickly paralyzed invalid or paralytic of short stature dwarf or midget 1991, PACER Center, Inc. 4826 Chicago Ave. S., Mpls. MN 55417-1098; (612). Reprinted from PACER's Early Childhood Connection (June 1989) and Pacesetter (September 1989) Used with Permission



APPENDIX 4: ADDICTION

GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse was created to coordinate statewide services involving alcoholism and drug abuse. It also is the funding source for the Municipal Alliance Program.

Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse

28 West State Street, 11th Floor Trenton, NJ 08625

Telephone: (609) 777-0526

Fax: (609) 777-0525

STATE DIVISION OF ADDICTION SERVICES

The mission of the Division of Addiction Services is to decrease misuse or abuse of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs by New Jerseyans by supporting the development of a comprehensive network of prevention, intervention and treatment services in New Jersey.

State Division of Addiction Services

PO Box 362 Trenton, NJ 08625

Telephone: (609) 292-5760

Alcoholics Anonymous

North Jersey: (908) 687-8566 Central Jersey: (609) 888-3333

(973) 824-0555

South Jersey: (609) 486-4444

ALA-CALL New Jersey Substance Abuse Hotline

(800) 322-5525 Voice/TTY

AL-ANON Adult Children

North Jersey: (973) 744-8686 South Jersey: (609) 547-0855

AL-ANON Family Group

North Jersey: (973) 744-8686 South Jersey: (609) 547-0855 Gamblers Anonymous (800) 425-4837

Narcotics Anonymous

(800) 992-0401

NAR-ANON Family Group

(800) 322-5525

Nicotine Anonymous

(631) 665-0527

APPENDIX 5: SERVICE ANIMALS

The ADA defines a service animal as any guide dog, signal dog, or other animal individually trained to provide assistance to an individual with a disability.

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act, a place of public accommodation cannot refuse admittance of a service animal when it is accompanying a person with a disability. The ADA requires that places of public accommodation (which include privately-owned businesses that serve the public) allow people with disabilities to bring service animals into any area in which customers are generally allowed.

The ADA does not require that an animal be certified or have special identification, and it is not inappropriate for a business to ask if an animal which does not have an identifying vest or a special harness is a service animal rather than a pet. The business may not, however, insist on proof of certification before permitting admittance of a service animal accompanying a person with the disability.

It is a violation of the ADA for a business to charge a cleaning or maintenance fee when a person with a disability has brought a service animal into the place of business. However, the owner of the animal has sole responsibility for its behavior and may be charged for any damages the animal causes as long as the business has a policy of charging non-disabled customers for damages that they cause. Likewise, it is not a violation of the ADA to exclude a service animal from a place of public accommodation if the animal behaves in a loud, threatening, or out of control manner, creating a substantial disturbance or posing a direct threat to the safety of others.



APPENDIX 6: Disaster Preparedness Checklist for People with Disabilities

Self-Networks
Discuss your disability and needs with relatives and friendsMaintain a list of people who could assist you with specific areas of concern such as mobility, visual
and hearing.
Medical Equipment and SuppliesEvaluate equipment for repairs and obtain spare parts
Order the full allotment of supplies that your insurance allows such as protective briefs, leg bags, suction tubing, hearing aid batteries etc. Stockpile unused items.
Assemble a first aid kit. It should include: sterile adhesive bandages in assorted sizes, assorted sizes of safety pins, cleansing agents/soaps, latex gloves (2 pairs), 4-6 sterile gauze pads, (2-inch and 4-inch), three triangular bandages, non-prescription drugs, three rolls each of 2 and 3 inch sterile roller bandages, scissors, tweezers, needle, moistened towelettes, antiseptic, thermometer, two tongue depressors, and tube of petroleum jelly or other lubricant
Medications
 Create a list of current prescriptions, names and dosages. Remember to update this list often List the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of doctors and pharmacists Detail information about the specifications of your medical regime
Order a full 30-day supply of necessary medications. Check with your insurance carrier
Telecommunications
Consider a cellular phone. Make sure the battery and any extra batteries have been fully charged.Prearrange alternative methods to reach family, friends, or personal care attendants if communications are out.
Personal Assistant Care
Consider checking into a nursing home or other care facility. Staff will always be available to meet personal care needs. Also, back up generators will be in effect to assist people who use power wheel-
chairs and/or ventilators. Contact your personal care attendant provider to discuss disaster preparedness and maintain a list of phone numbers.
Food and Water
Two quarts of water per person are needed for drinkingTwo quarts of water per person are needed for food preparation and sanitation
Two quarts of water per person are needed for food preparation and sanitation Canned, dehydrated, and no-cook foods
Keep cases of nutrients available for tube feedingFoods for special dietary needs such as diabetic and high caloric diets
Service Animals
Identification tags with name, address and phone number should be on a collar.
Keep shots and medical records current and service animal id numbers availablePlenty of food and water as well as sturdy storage containers
Large capacity self-feeders and water dispensers Mointain a list to contact vaterinaries with the phone number and address in the event of an emergency
 Maintain a list to contact veterinarian with the phone number and address in the event of an emergency Check with your local emergency management officials for companion animal procedures in emergency shelters

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APPENDIX 6: Disaster Preparedness (continued)

Power
Extended power outages may affect ventilators, heating and/or cooling units, which may be a matter of
life or death for some people with disabilities
Investigate emergency contingency plans in your community
Explore care facilities, especially people with long-term ventilator needs
Consider staying with friends or family especially, if you have medical equipment that is dependent upon power.
Contact your local fire department for information and registration of people with disabilities
Miscellaneous
Battery operated flashlights and/or lanterns with lots of extra batteries
Blankets and warm clothes
Fill the gas tank in your car
Radio and extra batteries
Keep ample cash on hand. ATMs and banks may experience problems
Non-electric can opener

FOR INFORMATION

call the Division of Disability Services at (888) 285-3036



APPENDIX 7: HOTLINES & TOLL FREE NUMBERS

	ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE	E CENTER 800-DIAL-TEC	Cancer Information	800-422-6237
	DIVISION OF DEAF AND HARD OF HI		Department of Health and Human So	
ı	DIVISION OF DISABILITY SERVICES	000-192-0339	Department of Health- (NJ)	000-447-0477
	DIVISION OF DISABILITY SERVICES	888-285-3036	Department of Hearth- (N3)	800-792-9770
	DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY COUN		Health Facilities Complaints	000 172 7110
		800-216-1199		800-792-9770
	NJ EASE		Health Information (DHSS)	
		877-222-3737		800-367-6543
	WORK INCENTIVES HOTLINE		Immigration Policy Network	
		866-871-7867		866-388-4636
	CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES Adoption (NJ-DYFS)		PAAD/Lifeline Program	800-792-9745
	()	800-99-ADOPT	HOUSING	
	Child Abuse-report (NJ-DYFS)		HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, DEPAR	RTMENT OF (HUD)
	<u>-</u>	800-792-8610	• Support Service Center	
	Citizen's Action Line (NJ-DYFS)			800-697-6967
		800-331-3937	• Rental Rehabilitation Program	
	Crib Death Information	000 001 7407		(not in service)
	Damas dia Vialana	800-221-7437	Residential Initiatives Clearinghous	
	Domestic Violence	800-572-7233	• FHA Loan Information Line	800-955-2232
	Family Help Line	800-372-7233	- FIIA Loan Information Line	414-297-3214
	Tuning Help Line	800-The Kids	• Fair Housing Best Practices Task F	
	Foster care and adoption			800-800-5029
		800-222-0047	Housing and Mortgage Finance Ag	
	NJ Kid Care			800-654-6873
		800-257-6249	MEDICALD	
	NJ TASK FORCE ON CHILD ABUSE AND NEO	CI ECT	MEDICAID	800-356-1561
	NJ TASK FORCE ON CHILD ADOSE AND NEX	JLECI		800-330-1301
	• Task Force on Child Abuse and Ne	glect	MEDICARE CONTACTS	
		609-292-0888	General Questions	
	• Children's Trust Fund		•	800-Medicare
		609-633-3992	Empire Medicare Services- (Part B)	
	New Jersey Child Assault Prevention	on		800-462-9306
	(CAP) Project	coo 50 2 5000		800-992-0165
	Parents Anonymous	609-582-7000	State Health Insurance Assistance Pr	ogram (SHIP) 800-792-8820
	1 at Citts Anonymous	800-The Kids	Regional Home Health Intermediary	
	Substance Abuse	ooo incixius	angional atomic meanin mentinedially	800-531-9695
		800-225-0196	US Department Of Health and Huma	
	Victim/Witness Hotline		-	800-447-8477
		800-242-0804	Inspector General (Fraud) Medicare	
	Women's Referral Center	000 000 000		800-842-2052
		800-322-8092		-800-842-9519
	HEALTH AND WELLNESS		Railroad Medicare Carrier	800-833-4455
	Adult Protective Services (NJ-DHSS)	1	New Jersey Hospice and Palliative Ca	
	radic receive services (149-DHSS)	800-792-8820	110 " delsey Hospice and Lamative Co	908-233-0060
	AIDS (NJ-DHSS)		(US) Office on Civil Rights	
		800-624-2377	5	800-368-1019
	Alcoholism (NJ-DHSS)		Railroad Retirement Board Helpline	
		800-322-5525		800-808-0772

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Accessible Usable to an individual with a disability **Accommodation** An adjustment, alteration, or addition to an environment, a situation, or a piece of equipment which enables a person with a disability to utilize it in a manner equivalent to that of a person without a disability

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) A defect of the immune system caused by the bloodborne HIV virus, causing vulnerability to various infections, malignancies, and neurological diseases Addiction Physical and/or psychological dependence on a substance, the deprivation of which may cause withdrawal symptoms. Such a dependence may have a negative physical, psychological, and/or

Alzheimer's Disease An organic mental disorder caused by atrophy of the brain, causing progressive, irreversible loss of memory, disorientation, and deterioration of speech, gait, and intellectual functions

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) A progressive, degenerative disease of the motor neurons of the central nervous system, which causes muscular weakness, atrophy, and spasticity. Its cause is unknown

Anorexia Nervosa Eating disorder primarily characterized by an excessive, voluntary loss of weight and refusal to maintain minimal normal body weight **Area of Refuge** Designated safe place for a person with a disability to await assistance during an emergency evacuation of a building or vessel.

Arthritis Disease of the joints and connective tissues which can have numerous causes, creating pain, swelling, and limited range of movement

Assistive Technology Devices or services which can be utilized to improve the ability of an individual with a disability to communicate or be mobile

Asthma Chronic respiratory disorder characterized by episodes of coughing, wheezing, and difficulty in breathing because of inflamed and obstructed airways. Among the causes are allergies, chemical irritation, and emotional stress

Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD) Neurological disorder characterized by distractibility, forgetfulness, inability to concentrate, poor attention span, and impulsiveness.

Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder(ADHD)

Neurological disorder which has the same characteristics as Attention Deficit Disorder, but which also includes hyperactivity.

Autism Neurological disorder of unknown origin which generally manifests before the age of 3. Social

interactions and verbal and non-verbal communication are impaired, and symptoms such as self-injury, aggression, voluntary repetitive body movements, and/or intense attachments to objects may be present. The individual may resist change in routines and be prone to sensory overstimulation.

B

Bi-Polar Disorder A mental disorder which is characterized by alternations between manic and depressive moods with consequent changes in thinking and behavior. Also commonly known as Manic-Depression.

Blind Legal blindness is regarded as visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with correction, or a field of vision no greater than 20 degrees at its widest point

Bulimia Eating disorder characterized by episodes of binge eating, followed by compulsive purging, usually through vomiting, consumption of laxatives, and/or excessive exercise

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Cerebral Palsy Injury to the motor areas of the brain, usually at or prior to birth, resulting in a non-progressive impaired ability to control movement and posture

Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Illness of uncertain cause, characterized by fatigue, weakness, malaise, muscle pain, and lymph node swelling

Congenital A condition which is present at birth, but is not hereditary

Cognitive Disability Intellectual development at a below-average rate, which can be caused by genetic or environmental factors

Crohn's Disease Condition of unknown origins, characterized by chronic painful inflammation of the intestinal tract

Cystic Fibrosis A hereditary disease which effects the respiratory system, pancreas, and sweat glands. It is characterized primarily by the excessive production of thick mucus, which results in chronic respiratory infections and impaired breathing

D

Deaf Hearing impairment severe enough to prevent, with or without amplification, the processing of linguistic information. Specifically, a hearing deficiency above 25 db ISO in the 500-2000 frequency Hz range unaided in the better ear

Developmental Disability Physical or mental development at a below-average rate, which can be caused by genetic or environmental factors

GLOSSARY



Diabetes Condition characterized by abnormal blood sugar levels resulting from impaired pancreatic functioning

Disability A physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a major life activity, such as walking, talking, seeing, hearing, caring for oneself, breathing, learning, or working

Down's Syndrome Congenital disorder caused by an extra 21st chromosome, which causes mental developmental disabilities and distinctive physical characteristics

E

Eating Disorder Psychological disorder characterized by a distorted body image and a dysfunctional relationship with food, often resulting from feelings of low self-worth and powerlessness. The individual may overeat, undereat, and/or purge in an effort to self-soothe and to control body shape.

Emphysema Disease of the lungs, characterized primarily by labored and inefficient breathing, in which the air sacs (alveoli) become distended and therefore limited in their functioning

Epilepsy Disorder of the cerebrum, which may result from trauma to or disease of the brain, or which may have an unknown cause. Characterized by recurrent brief episodes of alteration in consciousness, convulsive movements, and/or sensory phenomena.

F

Fetal Alcohol Syndrome A series of mental and physical impairments, which may include mental retardation, growth deficiencies, central nervous system dysfunction, craniofacial abnormalities, and behavioral disorder, in an individual whose mother consumed alcohol during pregnancy.

Fibromyalgia Disease of unknown origin characterized by the constant presence of non-physically damaging pain that moves throughout the muscles, joints, ligaments, and tendons of the body

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Hemiplegia Paralysis of one side of the body Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Virus which can damage the immune system and lead to AIDS

Huntington's Disease Genetic disease, which typically has its onset in young adulthood, which causes a programmed degeneration of brain cells. Initial symptoms, such as mood swings, poor memory and decision-making ability, and difficulty in learning new things, are followed by uncontrolled movements and loss of cognitive ability

Learning Disability A group of disorders which includes such conditions as dyslexia, developmental aphasia, perceptual disabilities, brain injury, and minimal brain dysfunction, which may disrupt the process of listening, speaking, reading, writing, spelling, or doing mathematical calculations

Lupus Chronic, progressive disease of unknown cause, which is primarily characterized by scaling and ulceration of the skin. In about 10% of affected individuals, symptoms may also include inflammation of the joints and mucous membranes and disruption of kidney and nervous system function.

M

Medigap Insurance which supplements Medicare benefits by paying some of the costs and covering some of the services not covered by Medicare

Mental Retardation Below normal intellectual functioning, causing impaired learning, social adjustment, and maturation

Multiple Chemical Sensitivity Condition marked by a variety of symptoms, such as respiratory distress, migraines, nausea, fatigue, irritation of the eyes, ears, nose, throat, and/or skin, memory and concentration difficulties, and/or disordered sleep. The onset generally occurs in response to a major or chronic chemical exposure, then broadens to include sensitivity to common chemicals and irritants found throughout the individual's environment

Multiple Sclerosis Inflammatory disease of the central nervous system of unknown origin, which generally has it's onset in young to mid-adulthood. Degradation of the sheaths of nerves causes relapses and remissions of weakness and numbness in the limbs, disrupted vision, and urinary tract dysfunction

Muscular Dystrophy Genetic disease, which typically has its onset in childhood, characterized by the progressive atrophy and deterioration of muscles. The muscles are replaced by fatty and fibrous tissues

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Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder Psychological condition, which may have a neurological basis, characterized by repetitive ideas or impulses which may be unwanted, irrational, and performed against the person's wishes

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Paraplegia Paralysis of the legs and the lower trunk

GLOSSARY



Parkinson's Disease Chronic disease of the central nervous system, characterized by tremors, muscular weakness and rigidity, and an unsteady gait. Symptoms are caused by a deficiency of the brain chemical dopamine, but the cause of this deficiency is unknown

Post-Polio Syndrome Wide array of possible symptoms which occur in approximately 25% of individuals who have been infected with polio. These symptoms generally manifest 20 to 40 years after the onset of the infection and after a recovery period of at least 10 years, and may include muscle pain, weakness, and/or tics, respiratory difficulties, disordered sleep, gastrointestinal and/or swallowing problems, neuropathy, arthritis, scoliosis, and osteoperosis

Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Psychological condition which develops in response to an overwhelmingly traumatic event which is generally outside the range of usual human experience. Symptoms can include flashbacks, fear of dying, rage, and panic attacks

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Quadriplegia Paralysis of all four limbs and the trunk. Also called tetraplegia

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Reasonable Accommodation Modification or adjustment to a job application process or work environment which allows a person with a disability to enjoy the same benefits and opportunities enjoyed by similarly situated people without disabilities

Reflexive Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD) Chronic nerve disorder that generally has its onset in the body at the site of an injury, and which often spreads to other areas of the body. Characterized by burning pain, extreme sensitivity to touch, tissue swelling, and pathological changes in bone and skin.

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Schizophrenia Brain disease of unknown cause which typically has its onset in adolescence or young adulthood. Characterized by thought disorders, delusions, and hallucinations. An affected individual may experience excessive or lack of emotional expression, as well as paranoia and disrupted interpersonal relationships. Symptoms can in some cases be managed by medication and supportive counseling.

Scleroderma Disease of unknown cause in which the dermis layer of the skin is replaced by collagen, causing toughness and discomfort. This process can also involve the heart, lungs, kidneys, and intestinal

tract, interfering with the functioning of these organs **Self-Determination** The entitlement of individuals with disabilities to control their own lives, pursue self-defined goals, and participate fully in society

Service Animal Animal trained to provide assistance to an individual with a disability.

Speech to Speech (STS) Telephone relay service mandated by the Federal Communications Commission which provides translation for individuals with speech disabilities. A communication assistant, specially trained to understand the speech of people with a wide variety of speech disabilities, listens to the speaker who has the speech disability and restates verbatim to a third party what that person has said.

Spina Bifida Congenital condition caused by the failure of the spine to close properly during the first month of pregnancy. This may result in mobility limitations and/or bowel and bladder problems

Spinal Cord Injury Severing of nerves in the spinal cord, resulting in temporary or permanent loss of sensation, motor control, and/or bladder and bowel function

Stroke Sudden neurological impairment caused by a hemorrhage or blood clot in the brain. Temporary or permanent loss of vision, speech, mobility, and/or consciousness may result

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Tetraplegia Paralysis of all four limbs and the trunk. Commonly called quadriplegia

Traumatic Brain Injury Injury to the brain which may impair cognitive or physical functioning, or may disturb behavior or moods. Such an injury may produce a diminished or altered state of consciousness

Triplegia Paralysis of three limbs



Visually Impaired Vision which is no better than 20/70 with correction, but not worse than 20/200 with correction. To have less visual acuity than 20/200 constitutes legal blindness

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ABBREVIATIONS

ACLU	American Civil Liberties Union	NJP&A	New Jersey Protection and Advocacy (NJ)
ADA	Americans with D isabilities A ct	NOS	Not Otherwise Specified
ADD	Attention Deficit Disorder	OCD	Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder
ADHD	Attention Deficit/ Hyperactivity Disorder	OIG	Office of the Inspector General (US)
AHCPR	Agency for Health Care Policy and	OT	Occupational Therapy
AIDG	Research	PAAD	Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome	DADATI	and D isabled (NJ)
ALS	Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis	PAIMI	Protection and Advocacy for Individuals
APS	Adult Protective Services	DATD	with Mental Illness
ARC	Association for Retarded Citizens Board of Social Services	PAIR	Protection and Advocacy for Individual
BSS CAP		PAP	Rights Pharmacoutical Assistance Program
CBVI	Consumer Assistance Program		Pharmaceutical Assistance Program
CBVI	Commission for the B lind and V isually I mpaired (NJ)	PASP PASS	Personal Assistance Services Program Social Security Administration Plan to
CDCP	Center for D isease Control and P revention	rass	Achieve Self-Support
CHLP	Community Health Law Project	PCA	Personal Care Attendant
CIL	Center for Independent Living	PDD	Pervasive Developmental Disorder
CMS	Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services	PRO	Peer Review Organization
CNA	Certified Nursing Assistant	PT	Physical Therapy
COMHCO	Coalition of Mental Health Consumers	PTSD	Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
	Organizations	RHHI	Regional Home Health Intermediary
COSAC	Center for Outreach and Services for	REIC	Regional Early Intervention Collaborative
	the Autism Community, Inc.	RSD	Reflexive Sympathetic Dystrophy
CP	Cerebral Palsy	SCAHS	Special Child and Adult Health Services
DD	Developmental Disability		(NJ)
DDD	Division of Developmental Disabilities	SCI	Spinal Cord Injury
	(NJ)	SCORE	Service Core of Retired Executives
DDS	Division of Disability Services (NJ)	SHIP	State Health Insurance Assistance Program
DHS	Department of Human Services (NJ)	SILC	Statewide Independent Living Council
DHSS	Department of Health and Senior Services	SNAP	Special Needs Advocate for Parents
DOJ	Department of Justice	SPAN	Statewide Parents Advocacy Network
DVRS	Division of Vocational Rehabilitation	SSA	Social Security Administration
	Services (NJ)	SSDI	Social Security Disability Income
EEOC	Equal Employment Opportunity	SSI	Supplemental Security Income
	Commission (US)	STS	Speech To Speech
EPVA	Eastern Paralyzed Veterans Association	TARP	Technology Assistive Resource Program
FCC	Federal Communications Commission	TBI	Traumatic Brain Injury
HI	Hearing Impaired	TDD	Telecommunications Device for the Deaf
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus	TT	Text Telephone
HRFA	Health Resources and Services	TTY	Teletypewriter
шт	Administration (US)	UAP	University Affiliated Program United Combrel Polsy, Association
HUD	Department of Housing and Urban	UCPA VA	United Cerebral Palsy Association
IDE 4	Development (US) Individuals with Disabilities Education Act	VA VI	Veterans' Administration
IDEA IED	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act	VI WIC	Visually Impaired Supplemental Nutrition Program for
IEP IHP	Individual Education Plan Individual Habilitation Plan	WIC	Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children
JTPA	Job Training Partnership Act		vv omen, imants, and Children
MD	Muscular Dystrophy		
MDA	Muscular Dystrophy Muscular Dystrophy Association		
MR	Mental Retardation		
MS	Multiple Sclerosis		
NAMI	National Alliance for the Mentally Ill		
NI	Nauralagically Innaired		

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National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities

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Access Link	
ADA Technical Assistance Center	
Addiction Services, Division of	,
Adjutant General, Office of the	
Adult Protective Services	
Advocates for Better Communication	
Affordable Housing, Council on	10
Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR)	
Agriculture, Department of	
Aids Community Care Alternatives Waiver Program (ACCAP)	
AIDS/HIV	
AIDS Hotline	
Aids Prevention and Control, Division of	
Aids Related Complex (ARC) SEE: AIDS/HIV	
ALA-CALL	
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Alcoholics Anonymous	
Alcoholism Hotline	
Alliance for Disabled in Action	
Alliance for the Betterment of Citizens with Disabilities (ABCD)	
Alzheimer's Association, The	
Alzheimer's Disease	
American Anorexia and Bulimia Association	
American Association on Mental Retardation	
American Cancer Society	
American Civil Liberties Union	
American Diabetes Association	
Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)	
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American Foundation for the Blind	
American Heart Association	
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Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Association	
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Architectural and Transportation Compliance Board	
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Arthritis/Fibromyalgia	
Arthritis Foundation	
Assisted Living and Alternate Family Care Program.	
Assistive Devices Recycling See: Back in Action	
Assistive Technology Advocacy Center (ATAC)	
Association for the Advancement of Mental Health	
Association for Children of New Jersey	
Association of Late-Deafened Adults (ALDA-NJ)	
Association of Schools and Agencies for the Handicapped	
Association for Special Children of New Jersey	
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